

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
F. W. W. 11-13-64 DAK ATTENTION: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ALEX ROSEN
ERROR LETTER SENT
FROM : SAC, JACKSON (170-NEW)
SUBJECT: CONF. INFT.
[REDACTED] (PROB.)
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DATE: 11/9/64

Re Jackson letter to Bureau 11/9/64.

1. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that authority be granted to make payments to above informant up to \$75 per week for services plus \$25 a week for expenses actually incurred for a period of four months, effective November 9, 1964.

2. RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

No change.

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3. CURRENT MEMBERSHIP IN RACIAL ORGANIZATIONS

Informant is Chaplain of Unit 1 of the Lauderdale Klavern, White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKKOM), and is widely known as an ardent segregationist and a prolific pamphleteer on racial matters. Informant is also a member of the Americans for the Preservation of the White Race (APWR).

4. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED

On November 7, 1964, informant furnished information relating his activities and associates in the WKKKKOM. He advised that prior to killing MICHAEL SCHWERNER, whom the Klan referred to as "Goatee", the Meridian Chapter voted to eliminate him, however, informant and others were advised that the action of the Meridian Chapter was unnecessary since at a meeting of the State Klan a vote was taken in March, 1964, to eliminate "Goatee".

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Informant is widely known in rural Mississippi as an ardent segregationist and recently withdrew his church from the Methodist Conference into the newly formed Southern Methodist Conference. He founded the first Southern Methodist Church in Mississippi, which church was founded for the sole intent of maintaining racial segregation. Informant is a prolific pamphleteer. He is most noted for his pamphlet entitled "The Unconquerable Land" a treatise on his stand on racial segregation.

5. AMOUNT PAID FOR SERVICES

On November 7, 1964, informant was paid \$100 for information furnished concerning the MIBURN investigation, Klan activities at Lauderdale and Neshoba Counties.

6. TYPE AND NUMBER OF MEETINGS ATTENDED AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Informant has attended meetings since March, 1963, exact number unknown. He attended the June 16, 1964, meeting in Neshoba County prior to the burning of the Mt. Zion Church. However, he was not present at the actual burning of the church since he was unarmed and unarmed Klan members are not allowed to go on a "job".

7. NUMBER OF WRITTEN AND/OR ORAL REPORTS SUBMITTED

One

8. INFORMATION FURNISHED OF UNUSUAL VALUE.

Informant furnished information on November 7, 1964, reflecting that at a meeting of the State Klan in March, 1964, a vote was taken to eliminate MICHAEL SCHWERNER, whom they called "Goatee".

Informant is in an excellent position to furnish information regarding projects and assignments given to Klan members.

Informant was at the June 16, 1964, meeting with Sheriff LAWRENCE RAINEY when the burning of the Mt. Zion Church was planned. Informant was not allowed to go to the actual burning because he had no gun. The Klan later took up a collection to buy him a .38 caliber snub nose revolver.

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Informant stated that when [redacted]

informant and others immediately contacted SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard for the State of Mississippi, to determine what action should be taken in covering up further activities and in assisting [redacted] Informant was to receive the dynamite [redacted] however, informant continued to delay any attempt to obtain the dynamite fearing that he may be the one who would be caught with it.

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9. APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PERSONS ON WHOM
INFORMANT FURNISHED COVERAGE AND THEIR
IMPORTANCE

Informant has furnished information on Klan members, the Miburn investigation and various persons in Neshoba and Lauderdale Klaverns. He has furnished, and is in an excellent position to furnish, information on SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard, State of Mississippi, FRANK HERNDON, Exhaulted Cyclops, Meridian area, and LAWRENCE RAINEY, Neshoba County Sheriff, all of whom are subjects of intensive Bureau investigation.

10. STEPS BEING TAKEN TO ADVANCE INFORMANT

It has been learned through various other sources that informant is trusted and held in high regard in Klan circles, and there is an excellent chance that he could be elected to the post of Province Giant in the very near future. He intends to concentrate his efforts on the Neshoba County Klan activities. The Imperial Wizard SAM BOWERS has advised the informant that his philosophy of racial segregation, religion and politics is closer to the informants than any man he has ever known. In this regard, informant exhibits excellent potential for advancement in the Klan and is penetrating the hard core of Klan members in Neshoba County.

11. STABILITY AND RELIABILITY

Informant has above average education, having completed two years of college at the Meridian Junior College. He is married, has two children, and appears to have a stable

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home life. In recent contacts he has exhibited stability, the information he has furnished has been corroborated through other sources and he appears dedicated in his efforts in supplying the Bureau with information regarding the Klan.

12. INDOCTRINATION AGAINST DISCLOSURE

Informant has been instructed and cautioned concerning his relationship with the FBI and that he should never under any circumstances indicate that he is associated with any member of the FBI.

13. ALL NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN ON INFORMATION FURNISHED

Information which has been furnished by informant has been set forth for investigative leads to be covered and new cases have been and will be opened on individuals listed by informant as Klan members.

14. MISCELLANEOUS

It is pointed out that this informant over the past several years has built up a reputation in rural Mississippi as an ardent segregationist. He has spoken and written widely on the subject of segregation. He appears to be shrewd and capable and desires to be of assistance to the Bureau on a long range basis.

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Records Branch

11/24, 1964

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Memorandum

NOV 24 1964

TO : Director, FBI
(Attn: Assistant Director ALEX ROSEN)

DATE: 11/9/64

FROM : SAC, Jackson (170-new)

SUBJECT: DELMAR DENNIS
RI (PROB)

A. INFORMANT's NAME

DELMAR DENNIS

B. SYMBOL NUMBER

CONF. INT. [REDACTED] (PROB)

C. CODE NAME

D. RESIDENCE ADDRESS

Pine Springs, Mississippi

E. DESCRIPTION

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	24
Born	5/9/40, Scott County, Mississippi
Height	6'
Weight	185 pounds
Hair	Blond
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Fair
Marital status	Married

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Children: 2
Occupation: Minister, Pine Springs
Southern Methodist Church
Military Service: None
Education: 2 years (no degree)
Meridian Junior College
Organizations: Regional Secretary, John
Birch Society;
32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason;
Area Secretary, Republican
Party; Member of the Americans
for the Preservation of the
White Race (APWR)

F. DATE DESIGNATED INFORMANT

November 9, 1964

G. ESTIMATE OF RELIABILITY

Based on information furnished by this individual which has been compared carefully with information furnished by other reliable informants, the information furnished by this informant has been found to be reliable.

H. EMPLOYMENT

Informant is a minister of the Southern Methodist Church. He is pastor of the Pine Springs Methodist Church, Pine Springs, Mississippi, and the Antioch Southern Methodist Church, Collinsville, Mississippi.

I. PAST ACTIVITIES IN RACIAL MATTERS

Informant has been a member of Lauderdale County Klavern of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKKOM) since March 26, 1964, being the 32nd member entered in the Meridian area. He is the Chaplain of so called Unit 1 of the Klan and is close to such persons as SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the State of Mississippi. //

Informant is widely known in rural Mississippi as an ardent segregationist and recently withdrew his church from the Methodist Conference into the newly formed Southern

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Methodist Conference. He founded the first Southern Methodist Church in Mississippi, which church was founded for the sole intent of maintaining racial segregation. Informant is a prolific pamphleteer. He is most noted for his pamphlet entitled "The Unconquerable Land" a treatise on his stand on racial segregation.

J. IDENTIFICATION RECORD

Informant claims no arrests. FD 9 submitted November 7, 1964. Due to informant's association with Police Departments in Meridian and surrounding areas; his standing in the community, and in an effort not to arouse unwarranted suspicion, no local criminal check will be conducted.

K. RACIAL ASSOCIATES

Informant has had frequent contact with SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard, WKKKKOM, and is a close associate of FRANK HERNDON, believed Exhausted Cyclops of the Meridian Chapter and a potential suspect in the MIBURN killings. As Chaplain for Unit 1, he is requested to give counsel to Klan members who are conscience stricken, in doubt, or waiver in their fight to preserve the "Mississippi way of life". He frequently speaks before Klan groups and is a member of the John Birch Society; a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason, and an active member of the Americans for the Preservation of the White Race - organizations through which the Klan recruits members. He has had talks with Sheriff LAWRENCE RAINEY, Neshoba County, and believes he can get closer to him through the guise of "pastoral confidence".

L. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED

On November 7, 1964, informant furnished information relating his activities and associates in the WKKKKOM. He advised that prior to killing MICHAEL SCHWERNER, whom the Klan referred to as "Goatee", the Meridian Chapter voted to eliminate him. However, informant and others were advised that the action of the Meridian Chapter was unnecessary since at a meeting of the State Klan a vote was taken in March, 1964, to eliminate "Goatee".

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In addition, informant has provided information, verified by other sources pertaining to Klan membership and projects and assignments given to Klan personnel.

M. AVAILABILITY

Informant is available for assignment throughout Mississippi, but has given no indication he is available to other divisions.

N. STABILITY

There has been no indication of furnishing unreliable information or of emotional instability.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR FBI
ATTENTION: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ALEX ROSEN

DATE: 1-20-65

FROM : SAC JACKSON [REDACTED] (P)

CONF. INFO.

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] (PROB)
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ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 1/29/98 BY SP2 ALM/WB
#417391

Re Jackson letters to Bureau dated 11-9-64.

1. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that authority be granted to make payments to above informant up to \$100 per week for services, plus \$50 per week for expenses actually incurred for a four-month period effective January 20, 1965. On November 25, 1964, the Bureau approved payments to [REDACTED] of \$75 per week for services, plus \$25 per week for expenses over a four-month period. Additional funds are requested due to the increased responsibilities of the informant within Klan circles; the time-consuming work and responsibilities he has incurred over a period of weeks; and for the excellent intelligence data he has furnished concerning the MIBURN investigation, the Neshoba and Lauderdale County Klans, and other Klan activities in the Meridian-Philadelphia area.

2. RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

No change.

3. CURRENT MEMBERSHIP IN RACIAL ORGANIZATIONS

Informant, who was previously Chaplain of Unit 1, Lauderdale Klavern, White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKKOM), has been elevated to the position of Province Titan by the Imperial Wizard, SAM BOWERS. Informant is the personal representative of the Imperial Wizard and the chief administrative officer for a province encompassing Lauderdale, Neshoba, and four other counties. He has risen rapidly within the Klan organization, and is widely known as an ardent segregationist and prolific pamphleteer on racial matters.

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4. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED

Informant has related that on December 10, 1964, SAM BOWERS traveled from Laurel to Meridian, Mississippi and conferred with [REDACTED]. As a result of this contact, [REDACTED] traveled to Neshoba County and met with Sheriff LAWRENCE RAINES. Deputy CECIL PRICE, EDGAR RAY KILLEN, [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

The group then selected CECIL PRICE to represent the Neshoba County Klavern at the State Klan Senate meeting at Brandon, Mississippi. The group discussed plans to issue murder warrants against JAMES JORDAN and [REDACTED], witnesses for the Government in the MIBURN case. They discussed plans to try, convict, and execute [REDACTED] and JORDAN in an effort to vindicate Mississippi and Neshoba County.

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[redacted] has had continued contacts with SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard, WKKKKOM. He has the complete confidence of BOWERS and other important Klan leaders in this area. He has identified the [redacted] for the Klan, who is [redacted].

Recently, he has been invited to attend meetings of the State Klan cabinet, which consists of Titans, Kleagles, and other administrative officers of the Mississippi Klan.

SAM BOWERS has confided in the source concerning long-range plans of the Mississippi Klan, which include: (1) Burial of fifty percent of all armaments, guns, and ammunition to be used in the event of a Klan uprising; (2) obtaining of mailing lists of prominent business leaders, politicians, ministers, etc., to be used for mailing Klan literature; (3) increased efforts to solicit funds to increase the State Klan treasury; (4) obtaining of detailed maps of every county in the State of Mississippi for the use of Klansmen in carrying out their missions; and (5) stepped-up recruitment on the local and province level.

In addition, source and [redacted] Investigator. traveled to Philadelphia, Mississippi, and contacted [redacted] and [redacted]. Through [redacted] source has identified [redacted] and [redacted] as Neshoba Klansmen [redacted].

5. AMOUNT PAID FOR SERVICES

Since November 7, 1964, informant has been paid \$750 for information and expenses concerning the MIBURN investigation, Klan activities in Laurel and Neshoba County, and throughout Mississippi.

6. TYPE AND NUMBER OF MEETINGS ATTENDED AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Informant has attended numerous meetings of the Klan since March, 1964. He has been in continued contact with SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard, and other major Klan officials in Neshoba and Lauderdale County. On December 19, 1964, he conducted a meeting held at the Rock Hill roadhouse in Meridian. In addition to the major meetings of the Klan, he has met in small groups with area Klansmen and prominent State officials.

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7. NUMBER OF WRITTEN AND/OR ORAL REPORTS SUBMITTED

50 Since November 7, 1964, has submitted no less than fifty (50) oral and written reports. He has been in daily telephonic contact with MIBURN Agents and has met with them at least weekly.

8. INFORMATION FURNISHED OF UNUSUAL VALUE

In addition to the information previously furnished by the source concerning the plans of the Klan to "eliminate Goatee," informant has penetrated the hard-core Neshoba Klan and has obtained admissions from CECIL PRICE involving his activities on the night of June 21, 1964.

More recently, he has met regularly with the Imperial Wizard and has obtained valuable intelligence concerning high Klan officials, meeting places for the State Klan cabinet, long-range plans for the WKKKKOM, and has obtained a reputation for being the top Klansman in Lauderdale County.

In a recent contact with MIBURN Agents, he has turned over a letter written to DELMAR DENNIS from SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard. In this letter, written in "Klan double-talk," BOWERS makes reference to the Klan plans involving "our secret logging operations," or the plans of the Klan to conduct acts of racial violence in Mississippi. In this letter, the Imperial Wizard confides in DENNIS and states most emphatically that the FBI no longer has any informants in the Lauderdale-Neshoba area. He sends encouraging words to DENNIS and other area Klansmen "especially those who have been deep in the swamp," that is, those recently arrested for their involvement in the MIBURN murders.

Also of unusual value in the MIBURN investigation was information furnished by this source prior to the meeting of the Federal Grand Jury at Jackson, Mississippi, at which time the source furnished valuable information concerning Klan efforts to locate JAMES JORDAN, a Government witness.

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9. APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PERSONS ON WHOM
INFORMANT FURNISHED COVERAGE AND
THEIR IMPORTANCE

Informant has furnished information on Klan members, the MIBURN investigation, various persons in Neshoba and Lauderdale Counties, and leading State Klan officials.

He has furnished information on LAWRENCE ANDREW RAINEY, Sheriff of Neshoba County, and his deputy, CECIL PRICE. In addition, he has been in constant contact with SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard. He has identified such persons as [redacted]

[redacted] of Neshoba County as active Klansmen. Through SAM BOWERS, he has identified [redacted]

(12) [redacted] as the State [redacted]. He has been in contact with [redacted] of the United Klans of America, and a meeting is planned for later in the month for the informant and [redacted] to meet and discuss problems and matters of mutual interest. [redacted]

[redacted] is under the control of the source, and [redacted] has been most aggressive and helpful in penetrating the Neshoba County Klan.

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Informant is also close to persons recently arrested in the MIBURN case, such as B. L. AKIN, [redacted] KBI investigator, WAYNE ROBERTS, FRANK HERNDON, and others.

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10. STEPS BEING TAKEN TO ADVANCE INFORMANT

[redacted] is a trusted, respected Klansman, and is held in extremely high regard in every area of Klan activities. He has pursued his avocation with diligence, intelligence, and enthusiasm. He has the complete confidence of the Imperial Wizard who has intimated to him that he is one of the few men the Imperial Wizard can trust. In a matter of a few months, the informant has advanced from his position of Chaplain of Unit 1, to Province Titan, the personal representative of the Imperial Wizard in a six-county area. He has been privy to the Klan's most intimate secrets involving their long-range plans. He has gained the confidence of Klansmen in Neshoba County, and has been invited to attend meetings of the State Klan cabinet. He has penetrated the innermost circles of the Mississippi Klan. Through his own ingenuity and enthusiasm, he plans to advance within the Mississippi Klan.

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11. STABILITY AND RELIABILITY

The informant is above average in education, having completed two years of college at the Meridian Junior College, he is a minister of the Southern Methodist Church, married and has two children. He has exhibited stability and reliability in all of his contacts and assignments given to him by MIBURN Agents. Intelligence data furnished by him has been corroborated through other sources. He is completely dedicated to the Bureau efforts to infiltrate the Mississippi Klan and put an end to racial violence. //

12. INDOCTRINATION AGAINST DISCLOSURE

Informant has been instructed and cautioned concerning his relationship with the FBI, and that he should under no circumstances indicate that he is associated in any way with any member of the FBI.

13. ALL NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN
ON INFORMATION FURNISHED

Information which has been furnished by the informant has been set forth for investigative leads to be covered, and new cases have been and will be opened on individuals listed by informant as Klan members.

In addition, he has corroborated the information furnished by other sources and witnesses in the MIBURN case.

14. MISCELLANEOUS

Since his initial contact with MIBURN Agents on November 7, 1964, informant has rapidly risen in Klan circles. He has gathered intelligence information of tremendous value. His responsibilities have constantly increased both to the Klan and to the Bureau. His activities have weighed heavily on his time, his church activities and family.

As an example, for the week beginning January 17, 1965, he has made three trips to Philadelphia, Mississippi, two trips to Laurel, Mississippi, to see the Imperial Wizard; he will make a trip January 20 to Jackson for a State meeting; and has had four personal contacts with MIBURN Agents involving,

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for reasons of security, trips thirty to fifty miles outside of Meridian. He has continuous contacts throughout Meridian and Neshoba Counties with such persons as B. L. AKIN, [REDACTED] and other Klansmen. After the meeting of January 20, he plans to meet with MIBURN Agents in an effort to furnish fresh intelligence data concerning the State Klan. He has called a meeting of the Lauderdale Klavern for Friday evening, January 22.

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In addition to these time-consuming, expensive, but most productive activities, he receives frequent phone calls and visits from area Klansmen who wish to discuss personal problems in addition to their Klan activities. He submits written reports regularly, contacts the MIBURN Office telephonically on a daily basis, and then meets with Agents for lengthy periods in an effort to furnish intelligence reports while they are still fresh in his mind.

The information he has furnished to the MIBURN investigation, the time he has spent, in productive contacts, far exceed the amount of money presently approved.

If the extent of this informant's Klan activities becomes known to the parishioners of his churches, serious consequences will result. He is jeopardizing his entire career as a minister in pursuing his activities with the Klan on behalf of the FBI. He is constantly contacting Klansmen and attending meetings. As his activities in the Klan increase, the possibility of his exposure as a Mississippi Klansman increase proportionately. His activities as an informant have been a serious intrusion on his time, family and career. Because of this, his remuneration should be commensurate with the risks involved.

Director, FBI

1-14-65

SAC, Jackson

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captioned "MIBURN,"

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summary teletype dated 1-7-65.

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In a routine contact with [redacted] immediately
thereafter, source failed to report any information pertaining
to [redacted]. In a carefully prepared
interview, [redacted] was asked routine questions which are
asked in every informant interview. He replied negatively
to questions concerning [redacted]

[redacted] did report that DELMAR DENNIS contacted [redacted]
while having [redacted]

[redacted] reported that DELMAR DENNIS merely gave [redacted]

[redacted] in this area and discussed generally klan activities in
Meridian. [redacted] did not report any contacts with [redacted]
[redacted] nor did he report any contacts, telephonic or
otherwise, with [redacted]

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[redacted] which [redacted] reported
has resulted in no significant changes in Klan plans or
activities in the Lauderdale-Neshoba area. [redacted]

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[redacted] was of no significance since [redacted]
[redacted] furnished no
significant information [redacted]

The obvious discrepancies in the reports furnished
by [redacted] and [redacted] do not appear to be important enough
to pursue the matter further without making it clear to
both sources that each is an informant, thus jeopardizing
their security. Both informants have since furnished
reliable information which has been verified through other
sources. Contact agents are alert to the discrepancies
between the two sources and any further contradictions in
reports will be evaluated with proper regard for the
importance of the discrepancies and the necessity for
continuing them as informants.

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Based on the information furnished by [redacted]
[redacted] however, he
was in no position to question [redacted]
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Director, FBI

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Bufiles reveal that to date Bureau has not been furnished the results of the canvass of logical informants concerning the captioned individual. Upon receipt of the above, the Bureau will make a decision as to whether or not captioned individual should be removed from probation.

NOTE:

Jackson recommended captioned individual be removed from probation but all investigation required by the Manual has not been completed to date.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/17/65

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FROM : SAC, JACKSON [REDACTED] (P)

CONF. INFT.

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] (PROB)

It is recommended that the above-captioned informant, who has been utilized by the Jackson Division since 11/9/64, be removed from probationary status.

The informant continues to furnish accurate information on a regular basis which is excellent in nature and over 90% of the information furnished has been verified by other sources.

It is felt that the informant can be operated without future danger of embarrassment to the Bureau because of unreliability or instability.

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SAC, JACKSON [redacted]

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Director, FBI [redacted]

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Reference is made to your communication dated 3/12/65 transmitting
☐ negative(s) ☒ film ☐ photograph(s) ☐ document(s) ☐
pertaining to the above-captioned matter.

In accordance with your request ☒ film has been developed
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☐ positive copy made
☐ print(s) made
☐ slide(s) made
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☐ Photostats made

The above is ☒ attached
☐ being sent under separate cover, via ☐ registered mail
☐ REA Express

✓ [redacted] - 817 R.B.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR FBI [REDACTED]
Attn: Mechanical Section

FROM : SAC JACKSON [REDACTED] (P)
[REDACTED] 10 CONF. INFO.

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] (PROB)
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DATE: 3-12-65

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Enclosed for the Bureau is film pack containing three exposures.

Make two copies each of each exposure and return to Jackson Division.

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2 - J.G. Deegan

May 26, 1965

Airtel

To: SAC, Jackson (170-132)

From: Director, FBI

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Reurlet dated May 12, 1965.

Relet sets out that informant is presently the leader of the underground or "terrorist group" of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. By use of the words "terrorist group" the impression is conveyed that this is a group which possibly may become involved in acts of racial violence.

Advise full details concerning the appointment of informant as leader of the "terrorist group." These details should include but not be limited to the following:

- (1) Who appointed the informant as leader of the terrorist group?
- (2) The functions of the "terrorist group."
- (3) The duties of the leader of this group.
- (4) Does the leader of the group make policy?
- (5) Who gives the group leader orders as to what action to take and when to take it?
- (6) Is this group considered a "violence" squad?
- (7) Date the informant was appointed leader of the "terrorist group."

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RE: [redacted] (Prob)

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If the "terrorist group" is considered an action squad submit your recommendations along with complete justification as to whether or not informant should remain as leader.

NOTE:

Informant is a Province Titan in the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi. It is pointed out that the informant is presently the leader of the underground or "terrorist group" of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The above inquiry is being made of Jackson in order to assist the Bureau in determining whether the informant should remain in the position of leadership in a group that may be expected to conduct acts of racial violence.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 12, 1965

ATTENTION: Assistant Director ALEX ROSEN

FROM : SAC, Jackson [redacted]

SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Re Jackson letters to Bureau dated 11/9/64 and
1/20/65. [redacted]

I. RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that authority be granted to continue to make payments to the captioned informant up to \$100 per week for services, plus \$50 per week for expenses actually incurred from a four months' period effective May 20, 1965. On January 20, 1965, the Bureau approved payments to [redacted] (PROB) of \$100 per week for services, plus \$50 per week for expenses over a four months' period. Continuance of these funds are requested due to the responsibilities of the informants within the Klan circles; the time consuming work and additional responsibilities he has incurred over the last few months; and for the excellent intelligence data he continues to furnish concerning the MIBURN investigation at Neshoba and Lauderdale County Klaverns and other Klan activities in a statewide area. [redacted]

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II. RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT:

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III. CURRENT MEMBERSHIP IN RACIAL ORGANIZATIONS:

Informant continues in the position of Province Titan of the WKKKKOM and also continues to enjoy the confidence of SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM. In addition, the informant is presently the leader of the underground or "terrorists group" of the United Klans of America, Inc., and the Chief Personal Contact man for [redacted]

[redacted] of the United Klans of America, Inc.

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IV. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED:

Sources furnished information regarding the Klan fund raising activities; the defection by members of the WKKKKOM of Lauderdale County to the UKA, Inc.; close conversations with SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard of WKKKKOM and [redacted]
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In addition, source has furnished a list of UKA members sworn into the Klan at the Chunky River meeting of February 2, 1965.

Informant has continued to effect contact with the defendants in the MIBURN case, and continues to discreetly disillusion the defendants with the integrity and sincerity of their Klan associates.

Source is almost instrumental in the "neutralization of [redacted] the former [redacted]
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Source continues as a Board member of the White Christian Protection and Legal Defense Fund (WKPLDF), and accordingly, reports on the fund raising activities of this organization on a state level.

In general, the source continues his intelligence gathering coverage of two Klans in the State of Mississippi, the WKKKKOM and the UKA, Inc.

V. AMOUNT PAID FOR SERVICES:

Since January 20, 1965, the informant has been paid \$1,550 for information and expenses.

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JN [REDACTED]

VI. TYPE AND NUMBER OF MEETINGS ATTENDED AND OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Informant has attended numerous meetings of the WKKKKOM and the UKA, Inc., since January, 1965. He continues to maintain contact with SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM, and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] In addition, he has met in small groups with both the Klan organizations in the Meridian, Mississippi, area.

VII. NUMBER OF WRITTEN and/or ORAL REPORTS SUBMITTED:

(30) Since January 20, 1965, [REDACTED] (PROB) has submitted no less than thirty oral and written reports and he continues to be in daily telephonic contact with MIBURN Agents.

VIII. INFORMATION FURNISHED OF UNUSUAL VALUE:

On February 2, 1965, [REDACTED] (PROB) advised that a State Klan cabinet meeting was scheduled at Jackson, Mississippi, on January 31, 1965, at an abandoned farmhouse, and approximately twenty individuals attended. On the agenda were:

1. Discussions concerning the lifting of the moratorium on violence as of 3/15/65.
2. Discussions concerning the stepping ups of local recruitment in meetings, as well as streamlining the Klan organization from the local to the state level.
3. Discussions concerning the WCPLDF.

Informant reported SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM, as well as other State Klan leaders, were present and details concerning the WCPLDF were furnished including the description of choice for obtaining funds to defend the Klansmen in Mississippi who have been arrested. Informant advised that the WCPLDF was formed by the WKKKKOM, and it is a Klan organization with active Mississippi Klansmen heading it.

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[REDACTED] (PROB) advised that there was a discussion concerning the long range build-up and burial of 50% of all arms, dynamite, ammunition and armaments. SAM BOWERS told the group the reason for the build-up was that the Russians were landing Congolese troops in Cuba daily, and that these troops are being trained to invade the United States. BOWERS believes that the Klansmen should be prepared to fight. He stated that the Southern has two choices:

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1. To be smart and move and
2. To be right and fight

[REDACTED] (PROB) furnished information concerning a number of individuals in the Meridian, Mississippi, area who have been obligated into the UKA, Inc.

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[REDACTED] (PROB) furnished information that [REDACTED] on February 5, 1965, spread the word throughout the Lauderdale County area that SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM has refused to contribute any State Klan money for defense of those arrested for the murder of the three civil rights workers near Philadelphia, Mississippi, in June, 1964.

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[REDACTED] (PROB) advised on March 25, 1965, that a meeting of the Board of Directors of the WCPLDF was held at Brookhaven, Mississippi, on March 24, 1965, and all the State Directors were present. A review of the organizations' fund raising efforts indicate \$2,700 had been collected, and the expenses amounted to \$1,500, but that this report was indicated as incomplete. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] were empowered to use this fund to add any "White Christian" who may be indicted or forced to stand trial because of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

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[] (PROB) advised on March 29, 1965, that [] will hold a meeting of the UKA, Inc., April 3, 1965, at McComb, Mississippi.

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The informant advised that [] has boasted that over one hundred bombings have taken place in the State of Alabama, and "we were never caught once". In addition, [] has commented to other Klansmen, "Why use dynamite when you can use something else?"

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[] (PROB) advised that DELMAR DENNIS, Province Titan of the WKKKKOM at Meridian, Mississippi, has indicated that he was unable to call off the "disciplining" of [] in time and had been informed by another Klansman that the matter involving [] had been "well taken care of". (This refers to a beating administered to [] apparently by unidentified Klansmen).

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[] (PROB) advised on March 29, 1965, that a new organization recently created at Jackson, Mississippi, is known as the Christian Leadership Council and []

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[] Informant indicated this organization was created from several segregationist type organizations which have operated in Mississippi in the past.

IX. APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PERSONS ON WHOM INFORMANT FURNISHED COVERAGE AND THEIR IMPORTANCE

Informant continues to furnish information on members of the WKKKKOM and the UKA, Inc., in the Meridian, Mississippi, area, defendants in the MIBURN investigation and various persons in Neshoba and Lauderdale Counties who are Klansmen or sympathetic to the aims of the Klan. In addition, the informant by virtue of his position in both Klans is able to afford intelligence coverage of leading State officials in both WKKKKOM and UKA, Inc.

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X. STEPS BEING TAKEN TO ADVANCE INFORMANT:

[] (PROB) continues to be a trusted, respected Klansman, and to be held in extremely high regard in every area of Klan activity in both the WKKKKOM and UKA, Inc. He continues to enjoy the personal trust and confidence of the Imperial Wizard of WKKKKOM and the Grand Dragon of the UKA, Inc. With the advent of the UKA activity in the Lauderdale County area of Mississippi, informant in a short time has endeared himself to the Grand Dragon and has been granted privy to the UKA'S plans in Mississippi. The informant continues to advance in Klan ranks within the State of Mississippi.

XI. STABILITY AND RELIABILITY:

Informant has continued to exhibit stability and reliability in all his contacts and the same was given to him by the MIBURN Agents. Intelligence data furnished by him has been corroborated through other sources. Informant continues to be completely dedicated to the Bureau's efforts to infiltrate the Mississippi Klan and put an end to Mississippi racial violence.

XII. INDOCTRINATION AGAINST DISCLOSURE:

Informant continues to be instructed and cautioned concerning his relationship with the FBI, and that he should under no circumstances indicate that he is associated in any way with any member of the FBI.

XIII. ALL NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN ON INFORMATION FURNISHED:

Information which has been furnished by the informant has been set forth for investigative leads to be covered and new cases have been and will be opened on individuals listed by informant as Klan members. In addition, he has corroborated the information furnished by other sources and witnesses in the MIBURN case.

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XIV. MISCELLANEOUS:

Informant continues to rapidly rise in Klan circles in the State of Mississippi. He continues to gather intelligence information of tremendous value throughout the State of Mississippi. His responsibilities have constantly increased both to the WKKKKOM, and UKA, Inc., realm of Mississippi, and to the Bureau. His intelligence gathering activities continue to weigh heavily on his time, his church activities and his family. Because of the continuing risks experienced by the informant and his willingness to do so, his remuneration should be commensurate with the risks.

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Date: May 27, 1965

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via Airtel _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, JACKSON

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- Re BuAirtel dated 5/24/65.

Set forth below are payments made to Informant:

<u>DATE OF PAYMENT</u>	<u>SERVICES</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>
1/26/65	\$ 75.00	\$ 25.00
1/29/65	75.00	25.00
2/2/65	25.00	25.00
2/8/65	100.00	50.00
2/15/65	75.00	25.00
2/22/65	75.00	25.00
3/3/65	75.00	25.00
3/10/65	100.00	50.00
3/15/65	75.00	25.00
3/22/65	75.00	25.00
3/29/65	75.00	50.00
4/5/65	75.00	25.00
4/12/65	100.00	50.00
5/3/65	75.00	25.00
5/10/65	100.00	25.00
TOTAL	\$1,175.00	\$475.00

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Reference Jackson letter shows total paid to Informant \$1,550, however, recheck reflects this should have been \$1,650 as indicated by the above figures.

② - Bureau (RM)
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Approved: JUN 18 1965
Special Agent in Charge

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5/24/65

1 - Mr. Deegan

Airtel

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To: SAC, Jackson [redacted]

From: Director, FBI [redacted]

(PROB)

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Reurlet dated 5/12/65.

Authority is granted to continue payments to captioned individual of up to \$100 per week for services on a C.O.D. basis plus up to \$50 per week for expenses actually incurred for a four-month period effective 5/20/65.

Concerning your payments to this informant and all racial informants, you are reminded that these payments must be made on a C.O.D. basis and are to be commensurate with the value of the information received. You are further reminded that payments to informants should be made on such a basis that he realizes he is being paid on a C.O.D. basis and not on a salary basis.

In connection with the above, by return airtel furnish the amounts paid to this informant in accordance with the instructions set out in Section 130 G 2 b (5), Volume IV, Manual of Instructions. When submitting this, designate which payments were made for services and which were made for expenses.

NOTE:

Informant is the Province Titan of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi and has the confidence of Sam Bowers, the Imperial Wizard of this organization. In addition, he is presently the leader of the underground or "terrorists group" of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights

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Airtel to Jackson

Re:

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of the Ku Klux Klan. During the past four months he was paid a total of \$1,560 and furnished 30 reports. Jackson failed to set out in a monthly schedule the amount of money paid the informant. Information furnished by him has been corroborated by other sources.

June 15, 1965

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Baumgardner
1 - Mr. Deegan

Airtel

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To: SAC, Jackson

From: Director, FBI

(PROB)

ReJNairtel dated 6-3-65.

Authority is granted for captioned individual to remain as Exalted Cyclops of the "terrorist group" for the Lauderdale County Klavern of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. You should follow this matter closely and keep the Bureau advised of all developments. Expeditionously advise the identities of any other individuals who are added to this group. [redacted] should be instructed not to take part in any acts of violence nor is he to give orders for any of his squad to commit such acts. He should also be instructed to immediately advise your office of any plans on the part of the Klan to commit acts of violence.

JGD:jmw (7)

NOTE: See memorandum Baumgardner to Sullivan, dated June 14, 1965, same caption, prepared by JGD:jmw.

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He stated that it would be the duties of the Exalted Cyclops of the group to organize and take any action which might be voted on in Klavern meetings. He added that it would be left to the discretion of the Exalted Cyclops of this group as to what degree of action to be taken. Source stated that minor acts do not necessarily have to be cleared with the Grand Dragon, however, he felt that major acts would be cleared. Source stated that it is his opinion that this group would be called on to do acts of violence on which the Klan voted.

Source stated that the "terrorist group" is his terminology for what is known as the "underground group" in Klan circles. He added that to date he has selected but one member of the group, who is []. Source related that his selection of [] to be a member of this group was namely because [] is known as a "doer" in Klan circles and is the brother of []. He added that unknown to [] the "underground group" of the Lauderdale County UKA, Inc., consists of himself and one member and is practically none existent. Source felt that by becoming Exalted Cyclops of such an underground group and selecting [] as a member of this group he would be in an excellent position to have firsthand knowledge of any contemplated Klan actions as well as be in a position to control such actions.

In view of the above it is recommended that the source remain as leader of the "underground group" of the UKA, Inc., Lauderdale County Klavern.

Source has been instructed to immediately notify agents of any contemplated Klan action. This matter will be closely followed and the Bureau kept advised of all pertinent developments.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: June 14, 1965

FROM : F. J. Baumgardner

1 - Mr. Baumgardner
1 - Mr. Deegan

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

PROBATIONARY RACIAL INFORMANT

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Captioned individual, who is a probationary racial informant of the Jackson Office, was appointed Exalted Cyclops of the "underground group" or "terrorist group" of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Lauderdale Klavern, Lauderdale, Mississippi. He was appointed to this position by [REDACTED]

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Informant advised that members of this group would all be secret members of the Klan and no one but the Exalted Cyclops of the "terrorist groups" would know their identities. The Exalted Cyclops (who is our informant) would select the members to make up this group, which would make up the "action group" for the Lauderdale Klavern. He stated it would be the duty of the Exalted Cyclops of the group to organize and take any action which might be voted on in the klavern meeting. He said that it would be left to the discretion of the Exalted Cyclops of the "action group" as to what degree of action should be taken. According to our informant, minor acts do not have to be cleared with the Grand Dragon; however, he felt that major acts would be cleared and, in his opinion, this group would be called upon to carry out acts of violence on which the Klan voted.

Informant stated that to date he has selected only one member of his "terrorist group" and that member is [REDACTED]

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selected [REDACTED] to be a member of the group because as a "doer" in Klan circles and is the brother of [REDACTED]

He stated he is known [REDACTED]

Informant stated that by becoming head of this "terrorist group" he is in an excellent position to have first hand knowledge of any contemplated Klan actions as well as being in a position to control such actions. Jackson recommends that the informant remain as leader of the "terrorist group" in the Lauderdale County Klavern.

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Memo Baumgardner to Sullivan
RE: [redacted]

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It is realized that there are many dangers involved in having a Bureau informant head an "action group": however in view of the fact that [redacted]

[redacted] it is believed we should not take any action to have [redacted] remove himself from this position. The United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, is in the initial stages of development in the State of Mississippi; therefore, our informant is on the ground floor. However, if he removes himself from the position of Klan trust at this time, he may not have the opportunity in the future to be of value to the FBI. It is believed that this matter should be followed closely and in the event there are additional members added to the "action squad" a decision will be made at that time as to whether or not [redacted] (Prob) should remove himself from this position of leadership.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That attached airtel to Jackson be approved authorizing [redacted] (Prob) to remain as Exalted Cyclops of the "terrorist group" and instructing that the matter be followed closely and the Bureau be kept advised of all developments.

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2. Jackson being advised to instruct the informant not to take part or instruct others to take part in racial acts of violence and to immediately advise the Jackson Office of any contemplated Klan racial acts of violence.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]

FROM : SAC, JACKSON [REDACTED] (P)

SUBJECT: CONF. INFL. [REDACTED] (PROB)

DATE: 6/21/65

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ReJNlet to Bureau, 5/17/65; Bureau letter to Jackson 5/28/65.

ReBulet to Jackson advised that the Bureau be furnished the results of a canvass of logical informants concerning the captioned individual.

A canvass of the following informants of the Jackson Division completed on 6/10/65, indicated that the captioned individual was known to them as an active klansman:

[REDACTED] (PROB)
[REDACTED] (PROB)
[REDACTED] (PROB)

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It is recommended that the above-captioned individual be removed from probationary status.

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2- Jackson

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/7/65

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

FROM: SAC, JACKSON [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Re Jackson letters to the Bureau dated 11/9/64,
1/20/65 and 5/12/65.

I. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that authority be granted to continue to make payments to the captioned informant up to \$100 per week for services, plus \$50 per week for expenses actually incurred from a four-month period effective 9/20/65.

On 5/24/65 the Bureau approved payment to [REDACTED] of \$100 per week for services plus \$50 per week for expenses over a four-month period. Continuation of these funds is requested due to the responsibilities of the informant within Klan circles; the time consuming work, and the constant responsibilities he has held and continues to hold over the past several months; and for the excellent intelligence data he continues to furnish re Klan activities in a state-wide area, and most especially the current activities of the MIBURN defendants.

II. RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

Informant currently resides at 3228 46th Avenue, Meridian, Mississippi. There is no change in his employment.

III. CURRENT MEMBERSHIP IN RACIAL ORGANIZATIONS

Informant continues to serve as [REDACTED] of the Province 16 Titan, of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi. (WKKKKOM) and continues to enjoy the confidence of [REDACTED]

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SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM. In addition, the informant continues to associate with the United Klans of America, Incorporated, (UKA, INC.) and is a respected and trusted leader with this Klan group.

IV. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED

Source has furnished information regarding the defection by members of the WKKKKOM in Meridian, Mississippi to the UKA, Inc, close and intimate conversations with SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM; detailed accounts of the state cabinet meetings of the WKKKKOM; personal appraisals of the Klan activities on the state-wide basis.

Informant continues to affect contact with the defendants in the MIBURN case and continues to discreetly disillusion the defendants with the sincerity and integrity of their Klan associates.

Source continues as a board member of the White Christian Protective and Legal Defense Fund and accordingly reports on the fund raising activities of this organization on a state-wide basis.

In general, the source continues his intelligence gathering covering of two Klans in the State of Mississippi, the WKKKKOM and the UKA, Inc.

V. AMOUNT PAID FOR SERVICES

Since 5/17/65 the informant has been paid \$1,575 for services and expenses.

VI. TYPE AND NUMBER OF MEETINGS ATTENDED AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Informant has attended numerous meetings of the WKKKKOM and the UKA, Inc. since May, 1965. He continues to maintain contact with SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM and [] [] []

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[] In addition, he meets with small groups of

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both Klan organizations in the Meridian, Mississippi area.

VII. NUMBER OF WRITTEN AND/OR ORAL REPORTS SUBMITTED

Since May of 1965 [] has submitted no less than twenty-five oral and written reports and he continues to be in daily telephonic contact with handling Agent.

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VIII. INFORMATION FURNISHED OF UNUSUAL VALUE

On 3/24/65 [] furnished a current appraisal of the fund-raising efforts of the White Christian Protective Legal Defense Fund and an appraisal of its financial condition. The White Christian Protective and Legal Defense Fund is a Klan-front organization in the State of Mississippi.

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On 5/20/65 [] furnished comments made by the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM, SAM BOWERS, regarding the American Nazi party.

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[] continues to furnish current appraisals of Klan activities and Klansmen throughout the State of Mississippi.

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On 8/11/65 [] advised that a state Klonvocation of the WKKKKOM was held outside of Jackson, Mississippi. It was at this Klonvocation that [] advised of the rupture within the Klan ranks and the gradual fall-out between SAM BOWERS and [] and their ensuing struggle for Klan power.

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IX. APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PERSONS ON WHOM INFORMANT FURNISHED COVERAGE AND THEIR IMPORTANCE

Informant continues to furnish information on members of the WKKKKOM and the UKA, Inc. in the Meridian, Mississippi area, defendants in the MIBURN investigation and various persons in the Neshoba, Leake, and Lauderdale Counties who are Klansmen or sympathetic to the aims of the Klan. In addition, the informant, by virtue of his positions in both Klans, is able to afford intelligence coverage of the leading state and local officials in the WKKKKOM and the UKA, Inc.

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X. STEPS BEING TAKEN TO ADVANCE INFORMANT

[] continues to be a trusted, respected Klansman and to be held in extremely high regard in every area of Klan activity in both the WKKKKOM and the UKA, Inc. He continues to enjoy the personal trust and confidence of the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM and the Grand Dragon of the UKA, Inc. With the advent of the UKA activity in the Lauderdale County area of Mississippi, the informant in a short time has endeared himself to the Grand Dragon and have been granted privy to the UKA's plans in Mississippi. The informant continues to advance in Klan ranks within the State of Mississippi.

XI. STABILITY AND RELIABILITY

Informant continues to exhibit stability and reliability in all his contacts with the handling Agent. Intelligence data furnished by him has been corroborated through other sources. Informant continues to be completely dedicated to the Bureau's efforts to infiltrate the Mississippi Klan and to put an end to Mississippi racial violence.

XII. INDOCTRINATION AGAINST DISCLOSURE

Informant continues to be instructed and cautioned concerning his relationship with the FBI, and that he should under no circumstances indicate that he is associated in any way with any member of the FBI. In addition, [] was instructed not to participate in any acts of violence nor to issue orders to any of his followers to commit such acts. He has also been instructed to immediately advise the handling Agent of any plans on the part of the Klan to commit acts of violence.

XIII. ALL NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN ON INFORMATION FURNISHED

Information which has been furnished by the informant has been set forth for investigative leads to be covered and new cases have been and will be opened on individuals listed by informant as Klan members. In addition, he has corroborated the information furnished by other sources and witnesses in the MIBURN case.

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XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

Informant continues to enjoy the reputation as an outstanding Klansman in the State of Mississippi. He continues to gather intelligence information of tremendous value throughout the State of Mississippi. His responsibilities have constantly increased, both to the WKKKKOM and the UKA, Inc., and to the Bureau. His intelligence gathering activities continue to weigh heavily on his time, his church activities and his family. Because of the continuing risks experienced by the informant and his willingness to do so, his remuneration should be commensurate with the risks.

9/21/65

1 - Mr. Deegan

Airtel

To: SAC, Jackson [redacted]

From: Director, FBI [redacted] 12

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Reurairtel dated 9/16/65.

Authority is granted to continue payments to captioned individual of up to \$100 per week for services on a C.O.D. basis, plus up to \$50 per week for expenses actually incurred for a period of four months, effective 9/20/65.

Concerning your payments to this informant, it is noted that on 11 occasions you paid him exactly \$75 for services and on 5 occasions you paid him exactly \$100 for services. It is also noted that you consistently paid the informant exactly \$25 for expenses.

It appears that the above system of payments to this informant would give him the impression that he is being paid on a salary basis rather than on a C.O.D. basis. In view of this, you should insure that future payments to this informant are made in accordance with Bureau policy. In this connection, you are reminded that informants should be paid in direct proportion to the value of the information they furnish on a C.O.D. basis, and not on a salary basis. Concerning payments of expenses to informants, you should further insure that these payments are made only for those expenses which are considered necessary and essential to obtain information for the Bureau, and are for actual expenses incurred.

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NOTE:

Informant is Province Titan of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi. During the past period, he furnished information concerning the leaders of the White

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Airtel to SAC, Jackson

RE: [redacted]
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Knights, including Imperial Wizard Sam Bowers and [redacted]
[redacted] In addition to his coverage of the White
Knights, he obtains information concerning the United Klans
of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Mississippi,
and furnishes information concerning the defendants in the
Miburn case. According to Jackson, information furnished by
him has been corroborated by other sources.

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Date: 9/16/65

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]

FROM: SAC, JACKSON [REDACTED]

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Re BuAirtel dated 9/14/65.

Set forth below are payments made to Informant:

Date of Payment	Services	Expenses
5/17/65	\$100.00 ✓	\$ 50.00
5/25/65	100.00 ✓	25.00
6/1/65	75.00	-- --
6/8/65	100.00 ✓	25.00
6/19/65	75.00	25.00
6/23/65	75.00	25.00
6/30/65	75.00	25.00
7/8/65	75.00	25.00
7/14/65	75.00	25.00
7/20/65	100.00 ✓	25.00
7/28/65	75.00	25.00
8/2/65	75.00	25.00
8/11/65	100.00 ✓	25.00
8/18/65	75.00	25.00
8/25/65	75.00	25.00
9/2/65	75.00	25.00
TOTAL	\$1325.00	\$400.00

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Reference Jackson letter shows total paid to Informant \$1,575, however, recheck reflects this should have been \$1,725 as indicated by the above figures.

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1 - Jackson
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Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M

Per _____

September 14, 1965

1 - Mr. Baumgardner
(Field Supervision
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1 - J.G. Deegan

Airtel

To: SAC, Jackson [redacted]

From: Director, FBI [redacted]

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Reurlet dated 9-7-65 and Buairtel dated 5-24-65.

By return airtel furnish a breakdown of payments made to this informant in accordance with the instructions set out in Section 130G, 2b (5), Volume IV, Manual of Instructions. When submitting the above, designate which payments were made for services and which payments were made for expenses.

As you are aware, in order for our system of payments to informants to function properly, payment letters must be explicit and contain the information required by the Manual section covering this matter. In this connection, you are reminded that it was necessary to request additional information concerning payment to your informant by Bureau airtel dated 5-24-65. In order to eliminate unnecessary correspondence, you should take the appropriate action to insure that responsible personnel are completely familiar with the instructions concerning payments to informants set out in the Manual of Instructions.

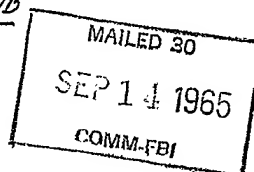
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NOTE:

Jackson recommends payments be continued to captioned informant, however, failed to furnish the breakdown of payments made in accordance with the instructions set out in the Manual section referred to above. This delinquency was previously called to Jackson's attention by Buairtel 5-24-65.

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Date: 11/5/65

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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, JACKSON [] (P)

⑥ CONF. INFO

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On 11/5/65, [] advised that he was served with a subpoena to appear before the HCUA on 11/15/65. However, informant related that the individual who served subpoena, a [] advised him that he would not appear before the committee until after the first of the year. This was due to a planned recession on the part of the Committee. [] stated he was officially advising him that he would not appear until then and to ignore the date on the subpoena.

Again [] advised the handling agent that he plans to invoke the 5th Amendment in his appearance before the HCUA Committee and is in total agreement with previously directed Bureau instructions in this matter.

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Approved: []

Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/6/66

FROM : SAC, JACKSON

SUBJECT:
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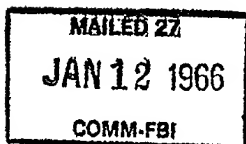
Re Jackson letters to Bureau dated 11/9/64,
1/20/65, 5/12/65, and 9/7/65.

I. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that authority be granted to continue to make payments to the captioned informant up to \$100 per week for services, plus \$50 per week for expenses actually incurred from a four-month period 1/20/66.

On 9/7/65, the Bureau approved payment to of \$100 per week for services, plus \$50 per week for expenses over a four-month period. Continuation of these funds is requested due to the continuing responsibilities of the informant within klan circles; the time-consuming work, and the constant and consistent responsibilities he has held over the past several months; and for the excellent intelligence data he continues to furnish regarding klan activities in a state-wide area, the activities of the MIBURN defendants, and other hate-type groups prevalent to the State of Miss.

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II. RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

No change.

III. MEMBERSHIP

Informant continues to serve as the Province Titan of the WKKKKOM and continues to enjoy the confidence and support of SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM. In addition, the informant continues to associate with the UKA, Inc. and is generally regarded as a respected and trusted leader of both klan groups.

IV. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED

Source has furnished information regarding the constant feuding and bickering of the UKA organization in the Meridian, Miss., area.

The informant continues to provide top intelligence data concerning the financial standing of the WCPLDF.

He also reports on the various fund-raising activities of this organization on a state-wide basis.

The informant continues to effect contact with the defendants in the MIBURN case and continues to discreetly disillusion the defendants with the sincerity and integrity of their klan associates.

The informant continues to attend and thus monitor the activities of the WKKKKOM at the state level. In this respect the informant continues to enjoy the respect and admiration of the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM.

The source meets periodically with SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM Organization, at various points throughout the state. During these meetings, the source

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collects intelligence data regarding the anticipated plans of the WKKKKOM.

The source has continuously reported regarding the possibility of a power struggle within the ranks of the WKKKKOM Organization between SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard, and [redacted]

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The informant continues to accurately pinpoint state and local meetings of the WKKKKOM Organization, and in addition, monitor and report all that transpires at the various meetings.

On November 6, 1965, [redacted] advised that several klan leaders from Meridian, Miss., attended a state-wide meeting of the WKKKKOM Organization held in Simpson County, Miss., a place which had never been used previously. The informant advised that the meeting was constantly interrupted by threats that officers, both state and local, were going to move in and break up the meeting and by a helicopter which was hovering over the meeting area. The informant advised that as the helicopter hovered over the meeting area, the Imperial Wizard frantically yelled for all those klansmen who have not been identified by the FBI to "hide in the woods." The informant stated that after the issuance of this last frantic cry, many of the klansmen took off in the woods and were not seen again.

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The informant also advised that [redacted] [redacted] announced at a state-wide meeting that he was resigning his position in the klan but gave no reason for his action.

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[redacted] advised that the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM had told all klansmen who received subpoenas from the HCUA to get in touch with [redacted]

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On October 26, 1965, [redacted] advised on the deplorable financial condition of the WKKKKOM Organization. The informant stated that the organization has voted to spend more money than they possess in their treasury.

On October 26, 1965, [redacted] related that he now detected that SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM Organization, is now softening in his line for violence within the organization. The informant stated that BOWERS indicated to him that he does not believe in violence for the sake of violence and stated that he believed in only killing in self-defense. The informant considered mentioning this because this is a complete reversal of BOWERS' position in the past.

On November 19, 1965, [redacted] advised that FRANK HERNDON, a defendant in the MIBURN matter, presently residing in Pascagoula, Miss., stated that he has been in contact with WAYNE ROBERTS, King Kleagle, UKA, Inc. ROBERTS has assured HERNDON that he would aid and assist him in setting up a klavern for the UKA, Inc., on the coast.

In general, the source continues his intelligence-gathering coverage of both the WKKKKOM and the UKA plans in the State of Miss.

V. AMOUNT PAID FOR SERVICES AND EXPENSES

Since 9/9/65 the informant has been paid \$1,363 for services and \$333 for expenses.

<u>DATE OF PAYMENT</u>	<u>SERVICES</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>
9/9/65	\$ 75.00	\$ 25.00
9/17/65	75.00	25.00
9/23/65	75.00	25.00
9/28/65	100.00 75.00	25.00 50.00
10/6/65	80.00	20.00
10/13/65	78.00	22.00
10/26/65	76.00	24.00
10/26/65	78.00	22.00

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<u>DATE OF PAYMENT</u>	<u>SERVICES</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>
11/2/65	\$ 80.00	\$ 18.00
11/15/65	75.00	22.00
11/19/65	85.00	17.00
11/24/65	80.00	14.00
12/5/65	90.00	12.00
12/8/65	75.00	20.00
12/18/65	70.00	15.00
12/23/65	89.00	16.00
12/31/65	82.00	11.00
TOTAL	<u>\$1363.00</u>	<u>\$333.00</u>

VI. NUMBER OF ACTIVITIES AND PERSONS TO WHOM COVERAGE IS PROVIDED

Informant has attended numerous meetings of the WKKKKOM, has attended several UKA activities, maintains his position as an area representative for the WCPLDF, and maintains a position within the Meridian, Miss., Community which attracts many of the various hate-type organizations. Finally, the informant has regularly participated in state meetings of the WKKKKOM, open only to state officers, on a weekly basis.

VII. NUMBER OF WRITTEN AND ORAL STATEMENTS SUBMITTED

Since 9/19/65, has submitted no less than 20 oral and written reports, and he continues to be in daily telephonic contact with the handling agent.

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VIII. STEPS TAKEN TO ADVANCE INFORMANT

Informant is presently the Province Giant of the WKKKKOM in the Meridian, Miss., area. The informant has advanced within the ranks of the WKKKKOM Organization and continues to be a trusted, respected klansman, and one who is held in extremely high regard in every area of klan activity in both the WKKKKOM and the UKA organizations. He continues to enjoy the personal

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trust and confidence of the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM Organization and is also respected by the Grand Dragon of the UKA, Inc., Organization for his many klan contributions. The informant continues to advance in klan ranks within the State of Miss.

IX. STABILITY AND RELIABILITY

At no time has the informant exhibited any indication of emotional instability, unreliability, or untrustworthiness. There has been no indication that this informant has knowingly furnished any false information. Intelligence data furnished by him has been corroborated through other sources. Informant continues to be completely dedicated to the Bureau's efforts to infiltrate the Miss. klans and to put an end to racial violence in the State of Miss.

X. INDOCTRINATION AGAINST DISCLOSURE

Informant continues to be instructed and cautioned concerning his relationship with the FBI, and that he should under no circumstances indicate that he is associated in anyway with any member of the FBI. In addition, [REDACTED] was instructed not to participate in any acts of violence, nor to issue orders to any of his followers to commit such acts. He has also been instructed to immediately advise the handling agent of any plans on the part of the klan to commit acts of violence.

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XI. ALL NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN ON INFORMATION FURNISHED

Information which has been furnished by the informant has been set forth for investigative leads to be covered and new cases have been, and will be, opened on individuals listed by the informant as klan officers and those possessing a propensity towards violence.

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XII. MISCELLANEOUS

The informant continues to enjoy the reputation as an outstanding klansman in the State of Miss. He continues to gather intelligence information of significant value throughout the State of Miss. His responsibilities continue to increase, both to the WKKKKOM and other hate-type organizations, and to the Bureau. His intelligence-gathering activities continue to weigh heavy on his time, his church activities, and his family. Because of the continuing risks experienced by the informant, his willingness to do so, and the value of the information furnished, it is recommended that he be continued as a racial informant and contact maintained with him.

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SAC Jackson

ATTN:

Re:

Progress Letter

Reference is made to your letter dated 1/6/66, captioned "Amount Paid for Services and Expenses."

Bureau records are in agreement except for the following payment.

<u>DATE OF PAYMENT</u>	<u>SERVICES</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>
9/28/65	\$100.00	\$25.00

Bureau records show that the following payment was made.

<u>DATE OF PAYMENT</u>	<u>SERVICES</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>
9/28/65	\$75.00	\$50.00

Please advise of this difference.

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Voucher - Statistical Section, SOG

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 2/21/66

FROM : SAC, JACKSON [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: CONF. INFT.

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PATRICK HENRY GROUP

On 2/9/66 captioned informant advised that he is presently associated with "The Patrick Henry Society", an organization he describes as "ultra-conservative" which is currently making in-roads in the Meridian, Mississippi area.

"The Patrick Henry Society" proclaims that it provides a constructive outlet for the emotions and outlets of conservatives and their causes. It is reported to be a non-profit organization and any money received or solicited from its members would be utilized to promote patriotic causes and highlight individual citizen's duties to their country.

The informant states the society is non-violent and condemns civil disobedience to the law by anyone for any reason. It is not a secret organization and it professes to be anti-communist.

[REDACTED] is presently a member of the organization and states he is carefully monitoring the members of the society. He will be alert to report any activity on the part of the organization which may be of interest to the Bureau.

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The Bureau will be kept advised of the efforts of the informant in this respect.

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The Jackson Division is, at the present time, in possession of three pamphlets entitled "How Classroom

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Desegregation Will Work," the "Anatomical Differences Between the Negro and Caucasian Brain," and "What Do You Know About Race Differences?"

All pamphlets indicate distribution by "The Patrick Henry Group," Post Office Box 217, Richmond, Virginia, 23202.

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AT RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Will furnish the Jackson Division with a brief summary of information concerning the Patrick Henry Group.

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To: SAC, Jackson

From: Director, FBI

RACIAL INFORMANT

Reurairtel 2/4/66.

Authority is granted to pay captioned informant \$374.60 for expenses as outlined in reairtel.

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NOTE: Reairtel set forth information that [redacted] who has furnished extremely important information in the case involving the burning of property of Vernon Dahmer on 1/10/66, while returning from a clandestine meeting with the Agent handling him was injured when his car left a road landing in a small stream. He obtained back injuries not believed to be serious and is presently recuperating at his residence. The Jackson Office has outlined the expenses incurred totaling \$374.60 and requests authority to reimburse him in this amount. [redacted] is an outstanding informant who has indicated willingness in testifying in the burning matter and he will be a valuable witness.

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Date: 2/4/66

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ALEX ROSEN *R*

① FROM: SAC, JACKSON [] (P)

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RACIAL INFORMANTALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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It is recommended that a bonus payment of \$374.60 be made to the above-captioned informant for extraordinary expenses incurred while engaged in the performance of duties of particular interest to the Bureau in the DABURN matter.

During the late evening hours of 1/29/66, while returning from a clandestine meeting with the handling Agent in which he furnished important information in the DABURN matter, the informant was injured when his car left a country road and landed in a small stream. The one car accident occurred west of Highway 45, between the community of Lockhart and the Meridian Naval Auxiliary Air Road, near Meridian, Mississippi. The informant was taken to the Jeff Anderson Memorial Hospital, Meridian, Mississippi, by ambulance where he was fully examined and it was determined that he possessed back injuries, but not believed to be serious. The informant was released from the hospital on 2/1/66, and he is presently recuperating at his private residence in Meridian, Mississippi. *le*

REC-52 []
The informant was scheduled to appear before the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) during its

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Special Agent in Charge

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inquiry into the Klan on 2/3/66. However, due to the accident, his appearance has been rescheduled for March 1, 1966. The informant has been in contact with the HCUA and they have been advised of his accident and that he is agreeable to appear on this date.

The informant is a close confidant of SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKKOM), and is in reality the Province Titan, or personal representative of BOWERS, and is the chief administrative officer for a province encompassing Lauderdale, Neshoba and four other counties. He has been a continuous and reliable source of information in the MIBURN case and the WKKKKOM organization throughout the State of Mississippi. The informant is a trusted and respected Klansman and is held in extremely high regard in every area of Klan activity. He has continually pursued his avocation with diligence, intelligence and enthusiasm. Because of these traits, he has the complete confidence of the Imperial Wizard, who has intimated to him that he is one of the few men the Imperial Wizard can trust. During the past few weeks, the informant has been privy to the WKKKKOM organizations most intimate secrets on a state level and in particular the WKKKKOM's participation in the DABURN matter. This information has been expeditiously and appropriately reported.

The informant is also eager and extremely willing to cooperate in testifying in the DABURN matter and is completely dedicated to the Bureau's efforts to infiltrate and destroy the WKKKKOM organization and to put an end to racial violence.

The following is a breakdown of expenses incurred by the informant during his recent accident. (It should be noted that the informant has advised that he has no health and accident insurance at this time):

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Hospital Expenses	\$150.00
Ambulance Fee	24.60
Auto Damages (\$50 deductible)	50.00
Doctor's Fees	50.00
Clergy Fees (Informant, due to accident, had to arrange for stand-in ministers for four services missed on 1/30/66)	<u>100.00</u>
TOTAL	\$374.60

Appropriate receipts have been obtained and are on file in the Jackson Office.

It should also be noted that during the current inspection of the Jackson Division, the captioned informant was rated as outstanding.

Again it is recommended that the informant be furnished with the specified amount in a lump sum payment, in addition to what the Bureau has previously approved. His value as a witness in the DABURN case alone more than justifies this payment.

4/8/66

Airtel

1 - Mr. Frederick Fehl
1 - Mr. Wick
1 - Mr. Deegan

To: SAC, Jackson [redacted]

From: Director, FBI [redacted]

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Reurairtel dated 4/4/66 captioned "DABURN."

For your information, the House Committee on Un-American Activities does not plan to hold any further hearings concerning Klan activities. The Bureau has previously been advised by the Committee that subpoenas issued to various individuals have been continued. However, the Committee does not intend to call these individuals to appear.

The above information is not to be furnished to the informant. However, you should instruct the informant that he should not furnish any information to Committee representatives at this time in view of his possible testimony in Federal court. He should also be instructed to advise you immediately if he is contacted by any representatives of the above Committee. In addition, you should advise him that in the event he receives notice to appear before the Committee in Washington, D. C., instructions will be given to him by the Bureau concerning this appearance.

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NOTE:

Referenced airtel sets out that the informant has been advised that he is tentatively scheduled to appear before the House Committee on Un-American Activities in its Klan inquiry on May 16, 1966. The Bureau was previously advised by the Committee that no further hearings would be held concerning Klan activities. The Committee also advised that it was continuing the

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Airtel to SAC, Jackson

RE: [redacted]
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subpoenas for certain klansmen. However, it definitely did not intend to bring these individuals to Washington for hearings. This matter has been coordinated with the Civil Rights Section of Division 6, which Section is handling the DABURN and MIBURN cases. The informant is a vital witness in both these cases.

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Date: 4/4/66

Transmit the following in _____
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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (44-1512) (P)

DABURN

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On 3/30/66 [] met with ROBERT OWENS, USDJ, CRD, at Hattiesburg, Mississippi. The discussion primarily dealt with the informant's imminent testimony in the DABURN matter. OWENS, in addition to asking questions regarding the personal background of the informant, specifically queried [] regarding his contacts with SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard, WKKKKOM, after the DABURN matter occurred.

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In addition, aspects of the MIBURN case were discussed, particularly, the background of the WKKKKOM organization, key leaders, and a brief history of the organization's participation in acts of violence. The Bureau's attention is called to the fact that [] is anxious and willing to testify in both the DABURN and MIBURN cases and has expressed his desire to the handling Agent. The informant has additionally stated that he will continue to cooperate with the Bureau even after he is publicly exposed.

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The informant has been advised that he is tentatively scheduled to appear before the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) in its Klan inquiry on May 16, 1966. However, it is noted that should the Bureau desire the informant's appearance before the group to be moved up, this request will be honored. The informant is also agreeable to appear before the HCUA, as he too is desirous of seeing the MIBURN and DABURN matters resolved prior to testimony before the HCUA.

The Jackson Division will keep the Bureau advised in this matter and make further recommendations as they develop.

SAC, Jackson

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Director, FBI

- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
(Field Supervision)
1 - Mr. Deegan

Reurlet dated 5/6/66 and Bureau airtel dated 9/21/65.

Authority is granted to continue payments to captioned individual of up to \$100 per week for services on a c.o.d. basis plus up to \$50 per week for expenses actually incurred for a period of four months effective 5/20/66.

Concerning your payments to captioned individual, it is noted that on 12 successive occasions you paid him exactly \$100 for services. As you were told in Bureau airtel of 9/21/65, this system of payment will give the impression to the informant that he is being paid on a salary basis rather than on a c.o.d. basis. Effective immediately, you should pay this informant in accordance with Bureau policy. In this connection, you are reminded that informants should be paid in direct proportion to the value of the information they furnish on a c.o.d. basis. It is not conceivable that an informant will furnish you information that is valued at exactly \$100 on 12 successive occasions.

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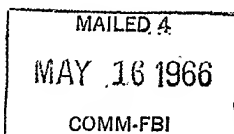
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NOTE:

The above is a continuation of previously authorized payments. During the last period the informant was paid a total of \$1,563 for services and \$1,108 for expenses. He submitted 20 reports and Jackson advised that approximately 95% of the information furnished has been verified through other sources. This informant has furnished valuable information in the Miburn and Daburn investigations and is considered as a potential witness in these cases.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI []
FROM : SAC, JACKSON [] (P)
SUBJECT : []
CONF. INFT.
RACIAL INFORMANT

DATE: 5/6/66

Re Jackson letters to Bureau dated 11/9/64,
1/20/65, 4/12/65, 9/6/65, and 1/6/66.

I. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that authority be granted to continue to make payments to the captioned informant up to \$100 per week for services, plus \$50 per week for expenses actually incurred from a four-month period, commencing 5/20/66.

On 1/13/66, the Bureau approved payment to [] of \$100 per week for services, plus \$50 per week for expenses over a four-month period. Continuation of these funds is requested due to the continuing responsibilities of the informant within Klan circles; the time consuming work, and the constant and consistent responsibilities he has held over the past several months; and for the excellent intelligence data he continues to furnish regarding Klan activities in a state-wide area, the activities of the MIBURN defendants, the valuable information furnished in the DABURN matter, and other hate-type groups prevalent in the State of Mississippi.

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II. RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

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III. MEMBERSHIP

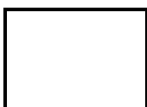
The informant continues to serve as the Province Titan of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKKOM) and continues to enjoy the confidence and support of SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM organization and other Top Echelon members of the WKKKKOM organization throughout the State of Mississippi. In addition, the informant continues to associate with the United Klans of America, Incorporated (UKA) and in general, is regarded as a respected and trusted leader of both Klan groups.

IV. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED

The informant continues to effect contact with the defendants in the MIBURN case and continues to discretely disillusion the defendants with the sincerity and integrity of their Klan associates.

The informant continues to attend and does monitor the activities of the WKKKKOM organization at the state level. In this respect, the informant continues to enjoy the respect and admiration of not only the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM organization, but the various other state officers of the organization.

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The informant continues to provide top intelligence data concerning the long range plans and financial standing of the White Christian Protective and Legal Defense Fund (WCPLDF). In this respect, on 12/16/65, the informant reported the intimate details of a WCPLDF meeting held at Jackson, Mississippi. In addition, the informant continuously keeps the Bureau apprised of the financial standing of the WCPLDF.

The confidential informant meets periodically with SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM organization throughout various parts of the State of Mississippi. During these meetings, confidential source collects valuable intelligence data regarding the future and anticipated plans of the WKKKKOM organization. In addition, the informant continues to accurately pinpoint state and local meetings of the WKKKKOM organization and, finally, to monitor and report all that transpires at these various meetings.

On 1/11/66, the confidential source met with BOWERS at Pachuta, Mississippi. It was at this time that the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM organization, in answer to the source's comment that "the Laurel group scored a big one" that BOWERS, although evasive, indicated that he was completely knowledgeable of the DABURN matter which occurred in Hattiesburg on 1/10/66. He further related to the source that only "six or seven men knew about it." Furthermore, BOWERS related to the source that the "six or seven men that did it were better men than the Philadelphia group." Additionally, in conversation with the source, BOWERS amplified on his remarks by stating that while "the technical end was not as good as the Philadelphia job, these men would not talk." It was at this meeting that BOWERS acknowledged to the confidential source that the DABURN matter was in fact perpetrated by the WKKKKOM organization.

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On 1/23/66, the source related that he had received a telephone call from SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM organization, who identified himself with his code name and related to the source intimate details of the events and circumstances of the DABURN matter. It was during the course of this telephone conversation that BOWERS, fearful of being picked up by the FBI, admitted to the source the identities of those persons responsible for the DABURN matter.

On 1/23/66, the confidential source, who was in attendance at the administrative meeting of the WKKKKOM organization held in Jackson, Mississippi, related that the meeting was addressed by BOWERS, who stated that the WKKKKOM organization would pick up the "\$1100 tab" to replace the automobile that was stolen in Hattiesburg at the Masonite Plant and utilized on the "Dahmer job." It was at this meeting that the informant advised that the individual whose car was stolen was in reality a member of the WKKKKOM organization.

[redacted] continues to keep the Bureau advised of the activities of various Klansmen with respect to their appearance before the House Committee on Un-American Activities. In general, the source continues his intelligence gathering coverage of both the WKKKKOM and the UKA Klans in a six-county area, generally referred to as East Central Mississippi. In addition, the source continues to endeavor to neutralize and upset the plans of both Klans to clandestine means.

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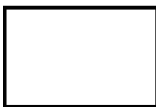


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V. AMOUNT PAID FOR SERVICES AND EXPENSES

Since 1/6/66, the informant has been paid \$1563 for services and \$1108 for expenses.


<u>Date</u>	<u>Services</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
1/6/66	\$ 92.00	\$ 40.00
1/11/66	78.00	34.00
1/19/66	100.00	28.00
1/25/66	93.00	32.00
2/2/66	100.00	50.00
2/8/66	100.00	50.00
2/18/66	100.00	50.00
2/16/66	-----	50.00
3/5/66	100.00	374.00
3/5/66	100.00	50.00
3/11/66	100.00	50.00
3/18/66	100.00	50.00
3/25/66	100.00	50.00
4/4/66	100.00	50.00
4/8/66	100.00	50.00
4/27/66	100.00	50.00
4/27/66	100.00	50.00
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$1563.00	\$1108.00

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VI. NUMBER OF ACTIVITIES AND PERSONS TO WHOM
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The informant continues to regularly participate in state meetings of the WKKKKOM organization open only to state officers. As such, he continues to report on all state officers and various other individuals. In addition, the informant attends numerous local Klavern meetings of the WKKKKOM, attends or reports on UKA activities, and maintains his position as an area representative for the WCPLDF. Additionally, the informant maintains a position within the Meridian, Mississippi, area which attracts many of the various hate-type organizations prominent within this area.

VII. NUMBER OF WRITTEN AND ORAL STATEMENTS
SUBMITTED

(20) Since 1/6/66,  has submitted no less than twenty oral and written reports, and he continues to be in daily telephonic contact with the handling Agent.

VIII. STEPS TAKEN TO ADVANCE THE INFORMANT

The informant continues in his present position as the Province Titan of the WKKKKOM in the Meridian, Mississippi, area. As such, the informant is responsible for a six-county area located in East Central Mississippi. The informant has advanced within the ranks of the WKKKKOM organization. He was initially a Klavern Kludd (a Chaplain) and has advanced to his present position of Province Titan and close confidant of the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM organization and also looked upon by the Grand Dragon of the UKA as a fellow Klansman. The informant is held in extremely high regard in every area of Klan endeavor.

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IX. STABILITY AND RELIABILITY

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At no time has the informant exhibited any indication of emotional instability, unreliability, or untrustworthiness. There has been no indication that this informant has knowingly furnished any false information. Intelligence data furnished by him has been corroborated through other sources. As of this date, approximately 95 per cent of the information furnished by this informant has been verified and subsequently he has been able to verify various information supplied by other informants throughout the State of Mississippi.

X. INDOCTRINATION AGAINST DISCLOSURE

The informant continues to be instructed and cautioned concerning his relationship with the FBI, and that he should, under no circumstances, indicate that he is associated in any way with any member of the FBI. In addition, [] is continuously instructed not to participate in any acts of violence or to issue or condone orders to any of his followers to commit such acts. He has also been instructed to immediately advise the handling Agent of any plans on the part of the Klan to commit acts of violence.

XI. ALL NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN ON INFORMATION FURNISHED

A review of the source's file indicates all necessary action has been taken on information furnished to date by this informant. New cases have been and will continue to be opened on individuals listed by the informant as Klan officers and those possessing a propensity toward violence.

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XII. MISCELLANEOUS

During contacts, the confidential informant has been reminded that any payment he should receive should be considered by the informant as income and reported accordingly to the Internal Revenue Service. The informant has advised that he is aware of this and intends to properly handle this when reporting his income.

The informant continues to enjoy the reputation as an outstanding Klansman in the State of Mississippi. He continues to gather intelligence information of significant value throughout the State of Mississippi; however, his intelligence-gathering activities continue to weigh heavy on his time, his church activities, and his family. In addition, the Bureau's attention is called to the fact that [redacted] is anxious and willing to testify in both the DABURN and MIBURN cases and has expressed this desire to the handling Agent many times in the past. The informant has additionally stated that he will continue to cooperate with the Bureau even after he is publicly exposed.

Because of the continuing risks experienced by the informant, his willingness to do so, the value of the information furnished and his eagerness to testify in both the MIBURN and DABURN matters, it is recommended that he be continued as a racial informant and contact maintained with him.

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Date: 6/20/66

Transmit the following in _____
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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, JACKSON [REDACTED]

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Re Jackson telephone call to Bureau, 6/16/66.

Captioned informant conferred with Departmental Attorney ROBERT OWENS near Meridian, Miss. regarding pertinent information in his possession relative to the DABURN case. OWENS does not plan to use informant at Federal Grand Jury, Biloxi, Miss., which convenes 6/21/66 unless absolutely necessary. Informant completely willing to appear if necessary and is standing by if needed.

Arrangements made to expedite informant's transportation to Biloxi if Departmental Attorney OWENS considers him a necessary witness.

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Airtel

1 - Mr. Mohl
1 - Mr. Deegan

To: SAC, Jackson

From: Director, FBI

DATE: 6/29/66

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Re: Airtel dated 6/16/66 captioned "Kilburn."

Promptly contact the informant and obtain all details concerning the matters which he desires to discuss with William Bradford Huie.

Furnish Bureau results of your contact with the informant and if the information obtained indicates steps should be taken to control this informant's activities more closely, submit appropriate recommendations.

In view of the fact the informant may be used as a witness, submit your recommendation as to whether the Department of Justice should be advised concerning the above.

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1 - Civil Rights Section (Route through for review)

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NOTE:

Birmingham advised that William Bradford Huie telephonically contacted Birmingham office and stated he had tentative arrangements to meet with captioned individual. Huie does not know that captioned individual is a source of this Bureau. He stated the informant had been in contact with him and he knew he was connected with the Klan activity in the Meridian, Mississippi, area.

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Airtel to Jackson
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Huie wrote the book "Three Lives for Mississippi" and is presently a defendant along with the "New York Herald Tribune" in a libel suit which had been filed at Meridian, Mississippi, by the subjects in the Miburn case. Huie stated that on the advice of his attorney he is not meeting with the informant.

Informant was interviewed by Departmental Attorney Robert Owens in connection with the Daburn case. Mr. Owens stated that he does not plan to use the informant for the grand jury hearing which convened 6/21/66; however, the informant was instructed to stand by in case he was needed. The informant will probably be used as a witness at the trial and also as a witness at the Miburn trial. This matter has been coordinated with the Civil Rights Section of the General Investigative Division.

If the information received indicates Department should be advised because of the informant's witness status, this will be done promptly.

1 - Mr. Deegan

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Airtel

To: SAC, Jackson [redacted]

From: Director, FBI [redacted] 21

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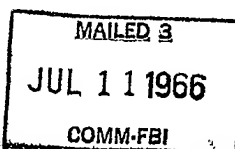
In view of the information set out in referenced airtel, you should afford this informant close supervision and control. Insure that you are cognizant of the informant's activities in order that situations can be prevented which may cause embarrassment to the Bureau. In addition to the above since captioned individual is possibly a key witness, in future prosecutive action he should be guided in such a manner that Bureau interest will be protected.

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NOTE: [redacted] will probably be used as a witness in the prosecution of the Daburn and Miburn cases. William Bradford Huie contacted the Birmingham Office and stated he had tentative arrangements to meet with captioned individual. Huie does not know captioned individual is a source of this Bureau. He advised the informant had been in contact with him and he knew he was connected with Klan activity in the Meridian, Mississippi, area. Huie wrote the book "Three Lives For Mississippi." Huie told our Birmingham Office that he was not meeting with the informant. The informant advised that he intended to talk with Huie about his anticipated book dealing in general terms with the Klan and its scope of operations in Mississippi. Informant stated that after he testified in the above-mentioned case he was planning on writing a book. Upon being admonished by the Jackson Office the informant became upset and stated he will not take any action to write his book. Jackson states the informant is willing to accept counsel and guidance and will not disclose the confidential nature of his relationship with the Bureau at this time.

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Date: 7/5/66

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI [redacted]

FROM: SAC, JACKSON [redacted]

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ReBuairtel to Jackson dated 6/24/66.

On 6/30/66, captioned informant was contacted re a letter written to WILLIAM BRADFORD HUIE, author, Birmingham, Alabama. Informant advised contacting Agent that he read HUIE's book entitled "Three Lives For Mississippi", liked his work, and noting HUIE was located close by, simply desired to contact him to solicit professional advice on book informant plans to write after he dis-associates himself with the Bureau and testifies in both the Miburn and Daburn matters. The informant states at no time did he, nor did he ever intend to, divulge his relationship with the Bureau or his intimate knowledge of the Miburn and Daburn cases to HUIE. [redacted] states he intended to talk to HUIE about his anticipated book dealing in general terms with the Klan and its scope of operations in Mississippi. He states he was hoping to secure some information and opinion from HUIE regarding the publication and market receptivity of such a publication. However, the informant has discontinued entirely any plans to solicit such, personal opinion from HUIE and repeated that he had no intention of violating his confidential association and cooperation agreement with the Bureau.

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The Bureau's attention is called to the fact that the informant is of above-average intelligence and a talented and prolific writer and pamphleteer. He fully realizes that

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once the Miburn and Daburn matters are over and he has testified, he will be discontinued by the Bureau. It is the opinion of the contacting Agent that the informant will capitalize on his period of association with the Bureau and his intimate knowledge of the Klan by the publication of such a book. However, in this endeavor the informant is again willing to cooperate with the Bureau for advice and counsel. He has stated that any publication would not occur until he has completed his services as a witness in the Miburn and Daburn matters and is of no further use to the Bureau. Additionally, and the informant stressed this point, he related that any publication undertaken by him would place the Bureau in a highly favorable light.

The Jackson Division does not feel that there is any need for initiation of any devices to control He is a true and time-tested friend of the Bureau. Upon being admonished for attempting to effect liaison with HUIE, the informant became visibly upset and abruptly curtailed his anticipated plans.

Also the Jackson Division feels that since the informant is willing to accept the counsel and guidance of the Bureau in any literary undertaking, and that he contemplates this endeavor to take place after he testifies in both Miburn and Daburn, no dissemination of his anticipated contact with HUIE should be made to the Department of Justice.

The Jackson Division feels that when the informant has testified in both matters, consideration should be given to reviewing his anticipated literary work so as to insure the Bureau's best interests.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 8/31/66

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FROM : SAC, JACKSON

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ReJNlet to Bureau 5/6/66.

I. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that authority be granted to continue to make payments to the captioned informant up to \$100 per week for services, plus \$50 per week for expenses actually incurred for a four month period commencing 9/20/66.

On 5/17/66 the Bureau approved payment to [] of \$100 per week for services plus \$50 per week for expenses over a four month period. A continuation of these funds is requested due to the continuing responsibilities of the informant within Klan circles; the time consuming work of spreading dissention and suspicions within Klan ranks over the past several months; and for the excellent intelligence data he continues to furnish regarding Klan activities in a state wide area; the activities of the MIBURN defendants; and the valuable information furnished in the DABURN matter and the prompt and alert information regarding the presence of other hate-type groups in the State of Mississippi.

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II. RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

No change.

III. MEMBERSHIP

Although the WKKKKOM organization in Mississippi is presently attempting to revamp and reorganize its hierarchy, the informant continues in the position as Province Titan of the WKKKKOM. In addition the informant continues to associate with the UKA and generally is regarded as a respected, trusted, and influential Klansman in the Meridian, Miss., area.

IV. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED

The informant continues to effect contact with the defendants in the MIBURN case and continues to discreetly disillusion the defendants and in fact, all Klan members with the sincerity and the integrity of the Klan.

The informant continues to monitor the activities of the WKKKKOM and the UKA in the Meridian, Miss., area and enjoys the respect and admiration of the State Klan officers in both organizations.

The informant continues to provide top intelligence data concerning the long range plans and financial standing of the WCPLDF. In this respect on 5/5/66 the informant reported that approximately \$300 was "taken up" in a collection and that less than \$100 was "clear money." The informant further stated that a total of \$83.61 was sent to the WCPLDF in Jackson, Miss., as a result of a

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rally held at Suqualena, Miss., on 5/5/66. As noted, the informant continuously keeps the Bureau apprised of the minute financial standing of the WCPLDF.

A confidential source met periodically with SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard, WKKKKOM. During these meetings the informant collects valuable intelligence information regarding the future and anticipated plans of the WKKKKOM in every area of endeavor. On 5/3/66 a confidential source related the intimate details of a conversation with SAM BOWERS regarding his believe concerning subjects in the DABURN matter.

On 7/11/66 informant who was in attendance at a meeting of the WCPDLF rally held in Laurel, Miss., related the details of a conversation with BYRON DE LA BECKWITH, known Klansman from the Greenwood, Miss., area. DE LA BECKWITH stated that "I am ready to do more than I have done."

At the same meeting [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] confidentially related to the
informant that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] was the individual that would
inflict much damage to the Klan in the DABURN case.

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[REDACTED] continues to keep the Bureau advised of the activities of various Klansmen throughout the state. In general, the source continues his intelligence gathering coverage of both the WKKKKOM and the UKA in a six county area. In addition the source continued to endeavor to neutralize and up set the plans of both Klan by the following clandestine means:

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1. Planting seeds of doubt in the minds of Klansmen about the veracity of other Klansmen.
2. Initiated rivalry between the UKA and the WKKKKOM by promoting the idea that SAM BOWERS was a communist and as a result members join the UKA and not the WKKKKOM, thinking BOWERS was part of the communist conspiracy.
3. Neglected to collect dues from his Provinces thereby causing a financial strain on the state organization of the WKKKKOM.
4. Failed to recruit new members into the WKKKKOM.
5. Prevented the distribution of Klan literature in a six county area.
6. Frightened prospective candidates for the WKKKKOM by over-emphasizing the harsh orders of the Klan, causing many individuals to be frightened off.

V. AMOUNT PAID FOR SERVICES AND EXPENSES

Since 5/6/66 the informant has been paid as follows:

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<u>Date of Payment</u>	<u>Services</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
5/4/66	\$100.00	\$ 50.00
5/4/66	100.00	50.00
5/13/66	100.00	50.00
5/23/66	100.00	50.00
5/27/66	99.00	48.00
6/3/66	97.00	46.00
6/10/66	99.00	42.00
6/15/66	98.00	48.00
7/1/66	97.00	43.00
7/8/66	100.00	48.00
7/13/66	91.00	43.00 50.00
7/19/66	98.00	44.00
7/29/66	91.00	49.00
8/8/66	100.00	41.00
8/10/66	90.00	50.00
8/18/66	93.00	50.00
8/25/66	98.00	42.00
Total	\$1651.00	\$801.00

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VI. NUMBER OF ACTIVITIES AND PERSONS TO
WHOM COVERAGE IS PROVIDED

The informant continues to maintain his position within the Meridian, Miss., area which attracts many of the various hate-type organizations prominent within the state. The informant regularly contacts individuals of the WKKKKOM organization who are responsible for policy making decisions. In addition the source attends Klan sponsored rallies throughout the state, monitors state

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and Klavern meetings, and reports on local UKA activities. The confidential source continues to maintain his position as the area representative for the WCPLDF.

VII. NUMBER OF WRITTEN AND ORAL STATEMENTS SUBMITTED

(16) Since 5/6/66 has submitted no less than 10 oral and written reports and he continues to be in daily telephonic contact with the handling agent.

VIII. STEPS TAKEN TO ADVANCE THE INFORMANT

The informant continues in his present position as the Province Titan of the WKKKKOM in the Meridian, Miss., area which embraces six counties in the State of Mississippi. The informant has advanced within the ranks of the WKKKKOM from the position of Klavern Kludd to Province Titan. The informant continues to be held in high esteem by other Klansmen in every area of Klan endeavor.

IX. STABILITY AND RELIABILITY

98% At no time has the informant exhibited any indication of emotional stability, unreliability, or untrustworthiness. There has been no indication that this informant has knowingly furnished any false information. Intelligence data furnished by him has been corroborated through other sources. As of this date approximately 98 per cent of the information furnished by this informant has been verified and subsequently he has been able to verify various information supplied by other informants throughout the State of Mississippi.

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X. INDOCTRINATION AGAINST DISCLOSURE

The informant continues to be instructed and cautioned concerning his relationship with the FBI and that he should, under no circumstances, indicate that he is associated in any way with any member of the FBI. In addition, [] is continuously instructed not to participate in any acts of violence or to issue or condone orders to any of his followers to commit such acts. He has also been instructed to immediately advise the handling agent of any plans on the part of the Klan to commit acts of violence.

XI. ALL NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN ON INFORMATION FURNISHED

A review of the source's file indicates all necessary action has been taken on information furnished to date by this informant. New cases have been and will continue to be opened on individuals listed by the informant as Klan officers and those possessing a propensity towards violence.

XII. MISCELLANEOUS

During contacts, the confidential informant has been reminded that any payment he should received should be considered by the informant as income and reported accordingly to the Internal Revenue Service. The informant has advised that he is aware of this and intends to properly handle this when reporting his income.

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The informant continues to enjoy the reputation of an outstanding Klansman in the State of Mississippi. He continues to gather intelligence information of significant value throughout the State of Mississippi; however, his intelligence gathering activities continue to weigh heavy on his time, his church activities, and his family. In addition, the Bureau's attention is called to the fact that [] is anxious and willing to testify in both the DABURN and MIBURN cases and has expressed the desire to the handling agent many times in the past. The informant has additionally stated that he will continue to cooperate with the Bureau even after he is publicly exposed.

Because of the continuing risks experienced by the informant, his willingness to do so, the value of the information furnished and his eagerness to testify in both the MIBURN and DABURN matters, it is recommended that he be continued as a racial informant and contact maintained with him.

September 12, 1966

FBI

SAC Jackson

ATTN:

Re:

PROGRESS LETTER

Reference is made to your letter dated 8/31/66, captioned Amount Paid for Services and Expenses.

Bureau records are in agreement except for the following payment.

<u>DATE OF PAYMENT</u>	<u>SERVICES</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>
7/13/66	\$91.00	\$43.00

Bureau records show that the following payment was made.

<u>DATE OF PAYMENT</u>	<u>SERVICES</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>
/ 7/13/66	\$91.00	\$50.00

Please advise of this difference.

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Voucher - Statistical Section, SOG

Date 7/13/66

To:

☐ Director

Att.: VOUCHER UNIT

☐ SAC

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PROGRESS LETTER

☐ ASAC

☐ Supv.

☐ Agent

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☐ Clerk

Re:

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DATE 1/29/98 BY SP2 ALM/WB
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ACTION DESIRED

☐ Acknowledge

☐ Assign Reassign

☐ Bring file

☐ Call me

☐ Correct

☐ Deadline

☐ Deadline passed

☐ Delinquent

☐ Discontinue

☐ Expedite

☐ File

☐ For information

☐ Handle

☐ Initial & return

☐ Leads need attention

☐ Return with explanation or notation as to action taken.

☐ Open Case

☐ Prepare lead cards

☐ Prepare tickler

☐ Recharge serials

☐ Return assignment card

☐ Return file

☐ Return serials

☐ Search and return

☐ See me

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RE ATTACHED R/S. CORRECT PAYMENT ON 7/13/66

SERVICES - \$91.00

EXPENSES - \$50.00

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Office Jackson, Miss.

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FBI

Date: 10/5/66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, JACKSON

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Enclosed herewith for transmittal to the Internal Revenue Service at Washington, D. C. is an amended 1964 individual income tax return, an amended 1965 individual income tax return and a personal check payable to the U. S. Treasury Department for \$282.66.

Captioned informant, who is one of the top informants in Mississippi, is expected to testify openly in U. S. District Court, Southern District of Mississippi, during the next few months in the MIBURN case, Jackson File 44-1 and the DABURN case, Jackson file 44-1512 where he will be subject to cross-examination by defense attorneys.

In view of the possible embarrassment to the informant as well as the Bureau resulting from this cross examination, an audit was made by a Special Agent accountant of the Jackson FBI Office on the 1964 and 1965 individual income tax returns of the informant. [REDACTED]

It is noted that the informant has repeatedly been advised to count all payments for services as part of his total income when filing Federal Income Tax returns each year and informant has advised that he would comply with the income tax laws. In spite of this, it was considered opportune to audit his 1964 and 1965 tax returns.

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The audit of the 1964 tax return reflected that the informant did not owe any additional tax for that year; however, an amended return was executed to more accurately reflect the informant's true income for that year and the amended return is enclosed herewith.

An audit of the 1965 income tax return of the informant reflected he owes \$282.66 additional tax as of 10/1/66. This includes penalties for late payment up to 10/1/66. This \$282.66 is in addition to tax paid on informant's original 1965 tax return which was filed at Jackson, Miss. prior to 4/15/66. The amended 1965 return and a check to the U. S. Treasury Department for \$282.66 is enclosed.

The original 1964 and 1965 tax returns for the informant were filed at Jackson, Miss. with the Internal Revenue Service the same as for other citizens of Miss.; however, it is considered an unnecessary risk to file these amended returns at Jackson, Miss. at this time due to informant's extreme value as a government witness.

For additional guidance at the Bureau, a similar amended tax return was handled for [redacted] (Bureau File [redacted]) during April, 1966.

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Bureau is requested to arrange through IRS, Washington, D. C. for filing the enclosed amended tax returns and making delinquent payment so as to fully protect the informant's identity. Due to the small amount of delinquent tax involved, a personal check was submitted for payment of this tax.

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1 - Mr. Baumgardner (Field Supervision Folder)

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1 - Mr. Ash
1 - Mr. Deegan

To: SAC, Jackson [redacted]

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Reurairtel dated 10/5/66.

Enclosed herewith are the enclosures furnished the Bureau by referenced airtel.

The request made in referenced airtel is not being complied with in view of the possibility of disclosing the informant's status.

In the future when action is contemplated as you suggested in referenced airtel you should ascertain from the Bureau whether such action should be taken.

It is believed this matter should be handled in the following fashion:

The informant should obtain a postal money order payable to the Internal Revenue Service in the amount of \$282.66. He should anonymously mail this money order to the same office of the Internal Revenue Service where he originally sent his income tax return. This money order should be sent by registered mail.

For record purposes, the postal money order receipt and registered mail receipt together with a memorandum as to how the tax was computed should be filed in the Administrative file of [redacted]

It should be explained to the informant that his amended return cannot be filed at this time, in view of the fact that it is made out in his true name and possibly could raise some questions as to the extra source of income. In the event he is used as a witness in the near future and the question is raised

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Folsom
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Sullivan
Tavel
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Tele. Room
Holmes
Gandy

MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT [redacted]

Airtel to SAC, Jackson

RE: [redacted]
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as to whether he paid income tax on the money furnished him by the Bureau for services he can answer in the affirmative. If this question is pursued further and his income tax returns are reviewed, he may then at that time advise that the \$282.66 was sent anonymously because he feared that if this money was identified with him he possibly would have been disclosed as a Bureau informant and his life would have been in jeopardy.

Since there is no money due in connection with the informant's amended 1964 income tax return, it is not believed necessary to submit this return at this time.

Advise the Bureau when the above money order has been sent to Internal Revenue Service.

NOTE:

Informant is expected to be used as a witness in the Miburn case and the Daburn case. Jackson submitted an amended 1964 and 1965 income tax return for the informant and requested that arrangements be made with Internal Revenue Service, Washington, D. C., for filing these amended returns. Jackson also submitted a check for \$282.66, which amount covers the additional tax due on the informant's 1965 tax return. His original 1965 tax return was filed at Jackson prior to 4/15/66. The procedure of sending anonymous money order to Internal Revenue Service was previously approved in connection with security informants.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/12/66

FROM : SAC, JACKSON

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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DATE 3/2/98 BY SP2 ALN/WB
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ReJNletter to the Bureau 8/31/66.

I. RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that authority be granted to continue to make payments to the captioned informant of up to \$100.00 per week for services, plus \$50.00 per week for expenses actually incurred for a four-month period commencing 1/20/67.

On 9/8/66, the Bureau approved payment to [REDACTED] of \$100.00 per week for services, plus \$50.00 per week for expenses over a four-month period. A continuation of these funds is requested due to the continuing responsibilities of the informant within Klan circles; the time consuming work of spreading dissension and suspicion within Klan ranks over the past several months; the excellent intelligence data he continues to furnish regarding Klan activities in a statewide area; the activities of the MIBURN defendants; the valuable information furnished in the DABURN matter, and the continuous prompt and alert information regarding the presence of other hate-type groups in the State of Mississippi.

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II. RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT:

No change.

III. MEMBERSHIP:

Although the WKKKKOM organization in Mississippi is presently attempting to revamp and reorganize its hierarchy, the informant continues in the position as Province Titan of the WKKKKOM. In addition, the informant continues to associate with the UKA and has recently been appointed as temporary chairman of the Citizens Council, Meridian, Mississippi. It is generally felt throughout the Meridian area that the informant is a respected, trusted and influential Klansman.

IV. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED:

The informant continues to contact the defendants in the MIBURN case and in so doing discreetly disillusion the defendants with the sincerity and integrity of the Klan.

The informant continues to monitor the activities of the WKKKKOM and the UKA in the Meridian, Mississippi, area.

The informant also continues to monitor and provide top intelligence data concerning the long range plans and financial standing of the White Christian Protective and Legal Defense Fund (WCPLDF).

On 9/19/66, the confidential source identified two pamphlets entitled: "The Citizen Patriot" and "Old Hickory" as being promulgated by SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM.

On 9/8/66, the confidential source related efforts of B. L. AKIN, a MIBURN defendant, in behalf of WAYNE ROBERTS, another MIBURN defendant, to see if the source could arrange to secure some finances for some of the MIBURN defendants.

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in the Meridian area.

On 9/19/66, the confidential source advised that there was prior Klan approval obtained on a state level which culminated in the killing of the three civil rights workers in Neshoba County, Mississippi, on 6/21/64. The source stated that all state officers of the WKKKKOM organization knew that a state approval had been obtained for the elimination of MICHAEL SCHWERNER.

On 10/13/66, the confidential source advised that SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM organization, personally contacted him in an attempt to obtain the release of his KBI Investigator, DEAVOURS NIX, from the Meridian City Jail. NIX was arrested in connection with an incident at the Mississippi - Alabama Fair held in Meridian, at which time Governor GEORGE WALLACE of Alabama, was the keynote speaker. The source advised that he did not relay the request from BOWERS to other area Klansmen and in so doing he delayed the release of NIX from the City Jail.

On 10/20/66, the confidential source advised that he had positioned himself on the recently formed Citizens Council in Meridian, Mississippi, as a member of the Steering Committee. The confidential source advised that the Citizens Council was in reality a white supremacist organization whose primary aim was to return ROSS BARNETT to the Governor's Mansion in the State of Mississippi.

On 10/20/66, the confidential source advised that Klan circles in the Meridian, Mississippi, area were abuzz with the knowledge that Senator JAMES O. EASTLAND has been taking credit for the Federal Government dropping charges against those indicted in the Neshoba County slayings. EASTLAND, according to the source, had made his efforts in behalf of those indicted known to [] and other attorneys for the defendants in the Neshoba County case. Source also related that B. L. AKIN, b6 b7C

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prominent Klan member in the Meridian area, advised that all of the defendants are working earnestly in behalf of Senator EASTLAND's campaign for re-election and AKIN, in fact, felt that if EASTLAND is re-elected he will keep the MIBURN defendants out of jail.

On 10/20/66, confidential source also advised that B. L. AKIN also related that Senator JAMES O. EASTLAND recently appeared at a political rally held in Forest, Mississippi, and that EASTLAND had invited SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM, to occupy the speaker's stand with him. Source also related that EASTLAND stated that he has been "pulling strings for them" and that EASTLAND has "enough seniority to help them." Source amplified on these remarks and stated that EASTLAND was working in behalf of the MIBURN defendants.

On 11/4/66, the confidential source identified a pamphlet entitled: "The White Sentinel of Mississippi" as a front pamphlet for the WKKKKOM organization, published by SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard.

On 11/23/66, confidential source related that WAYNE ROBERTS, a MIBURN defendant, was extremely enthused about his forthcoming legal suit against Columbia Broadcasting System. ROBERTS, in conversation with the confidential source, stated that he had "lined up" [redacted] and Sheriff LAWRENCE RAINEY, Neshoba County, all MIBURN defendants, as witnesses for him in his pending suit.

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In addition, the source continues to be operated as a counterintelligence vehicle against the WKKKKOM organization within a six-county area of East Central Mississippi, in the following manner:

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1. By discreetly planting seeds of doubt in the minds of Klansmen about the veracity of other Klansmen and the aims and purposes of the WKKKKOM organization.
2. By discreetly initiating rivalry between the UKA and the WKKKKOM, thereby decreasing the efficiency of both organizations.
3. Continues to neglect to collect dues from Province 4, thereby causing a financial strain on the state organization of WKKKKOM.
4. Continues to fail to recruit new members into the WKKKKOM, although reporting to SAM BOWERS that he is earnestly attempting to do so.
5. Continues to prevent and curtail the distribution of WKKKKOM literature in a six-county area.

V. AMOUNT PAID FOR SERVICES AND EXPENSES:

Since 8/31/66, the informant has been paid as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Services</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
8/31/66	\$ 91.00	\$ 50.00
9/9/66	100.00	44.00
9/15/66	98.00	43.00
9/20/66	93.00	50.00
9/22/66	99.00	46.00
9/30/66	91.00	49.00
10/6/66	92.00	50.00
10/20/66	98.00	49.00
10/26/66	99.00	43.00

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Services</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
10/26/66	\$ 92.00	\$ 48.00
11/4/66	91.00	50.00
11/11/66	94.00	49.00
11/16/66	96.00	48.00
11/23/66	94.00	46.00
	<u>\$1328.00</u>	<u>\$665.00</u>

VI. NUMBER OF ACTIVITIES AND PERSONS ON WHOM COVERAGE IS PROVIDED:

The informant continues to maintain his position as Province Titan in a six-county area of East Central Mississippi. The informant by virtue of this position continues to attract many of the various hate-type organizations prevalent within the state. He regularly contacts individuals of the WKKKKOM organization who are responsible for policy making decisions. In addition, the source maintains liaison with Province officials of the UKA, Incorporated, in the Meridian, Mississippi, area. The source also attends Klan sponsored rallies throughout the state and monitors state and Klavern meetings. The confidential source continues to maintain his position as the Meridian area representative for the WCPLDF.

VII. NUMBER OF WRITTEN AND ORAL STATEMENTS SUBMITTED:

(10) Since 9/20/66, has submitted no less than ten oral and written reports and he continues to be in daily telephonic contact with the handling Agent.

VIII. STEPS TAKEN TO ADVANCE INFORMANT:

The informant continues in his present position as the Province Titan of the WKKKKOM in a six-county area of East Central Mississippi, utilizing as his base of operations Meridian, Mississippi. The informant has advanced within the

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ranks of the WKKKKOM from the position of Klavern Kludd to Province Titan. In addition, the informant recently was appointed as temporary chairman of the Citizens Council in Meridian, Mississippi.

IX. STABILITY AND RELIABILITY:

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At no time has the informant exhibited any indication of emotional instability, unreliability or untrustworthiness. There has been no indication that this informant has knowingly furnished any false information. All data furnished by him has been corroborated through other sources. As of this date approximately 98% of the information furnished by [REDACTED] has been verified and subsequently he has been able to verify various information supplied by other informants throughout the State of Mississippi.

X. INDOCTRINATION AGAINST DISCLOSURE:

The informant continues to be instructed and cautioned concerning his relationship with the FBI and that he should not, under any circumstance, indicate that he is associated in any manner with any member of the FBI. In addition, [REDACTED] is continually reminded not to participate in any acts of violence or to issue or condone orders to any of his followers to commit such acts. The informant has also been instructed to immediately advise the handling Agent of any plans on the part of the Klan to commit such acts of violence.

XI. ALL NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN ON INFORMATION FURNISHED:

A review of the informant's file indicates that all necessary action has been taken on information furnished by him. New cases have been and will continue to be opened

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on individuals noted by the informant as being Klan officers and those individuals possessing a propensity toward violence.

XII. MISCELLANEOUS:

During contact, the confidential informant continues to be reminded that any financial payments he receives should be considered by him as income and reported accordingly to the Internal Revenue Service. The informant states that he is aware of this stipulation and will properly handle the situation when reporting his income.

It is felt that because of the continuing risks experienced by the informant, and his willingness to do so, the value of the information and his eagerness to testify in both the MIBURN and DABURN matters, it is recommended that he be continued as a racial informant and contact maintained with him.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/10/67

FROM : SAC, JACKSON

SUBJECT: CONF. INFT.

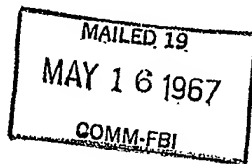
Re Jackson letter to the Bureau dated 12/12/66.

I. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that authority be granted to continue to make payments to the captioned informant of up to \$100 per week for services plus up to \$50 per week for expenses actually incurred for a four-month period commencing 5/20/67.

On 1/20/67 the Bureau approved payment to informant of \$100 per week for services, plus \$50 per week for expenses over a four-month period. A continuation of these funds is requested due to the informant's continued association with known Klansmen, his retention of his Province position in the Klan, the ever-increasing risks he continues to take on behalf of the Bureau, and the excellent intelligence data he continues to furnish regarding Klan activities throughout the state, the current activities of the MIBURN defendants, and the valuable information furnished in the DABURN matter, the forthcoming testimony he will offer in both the MIBURN and DABURN cases, and the continuous prompt and alert information regarding the presence of other hate-type groups in the State of Mississippi.

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II. RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

No change.

III. MEMBERSHIP

Although the WKKKKOM organization in Mississippi is presently undergoing revamping and revising in its structure, the informant continues in the position as Province Titan of the WKKKKOM. In addition, the informant continues to associate with the UKA and the Citizens Council in Meridian, Miss., a Klan-infested organization. The confidential source continues to hold a reputation as a respected, trusted, and influential Klansman in the East Central Mississippi area.

IV. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED

The informant continues to contact the defendants in the MIBURN case, and in so doing, discreetly disillusion the defendants with the sincerity and integrity of the Klan. In addition, the informant continues to associate with defendants in the DABURN case.

The informant continues to monitor the activities of the WKKKKOM and the UKA, Inc. in the Meridian, Miss., area.

The informant also continues in his position as a director on the state level of the White Christian Protective and Legal Defense Fund (WCPLDF).

On 12/13/66 the informant met with SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard, WKKKKOM, in Meridian; and BOWERS related in general terms his hopes and ambitions to rebuild the WKKKKOM organization with the ultimate hope that it would control the Democratic Party in the State of Mississippi. BOWERS also

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related that the DABURN and MIBURN cases would never come to trial because the government is "worn out." Additionally, BOWERS stated that ROSS BARNETT will be the official Klan-supported candidate for Governor of the State of Mississippi.

On 2/18/67 informant conferred with U. S. Department of Justice Attorney ROBERT OWEN in a day-long session and related in detail facts concerning his forthcoming testimony in both the MIBURN and DABURN cases.

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On 3/13/67 the confidential source furnished information concerning B. L. AKIN, MIBURN defendant, and advised that AKIN had curtailed his White Citizens Council activity due to his recent arrest.

On 3/13/67 the confidential source reported on the lack of activity on the part of the UKA in Lauderdale County and the total lack of support the Klan is receiving in the Meridian, Miss., area.

On 2/6/67 the confidential source made available a copy of a mimeograph letter entitled "The White Defender" and identified it as a covert publication of SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard, WKKKKOM.

On 2/28/67 the confidential source advised that conversations with WAYNE ROBERTS, MIBURN defendant, indicated that ROBERTS had no money to retain a lawyer and may have the court appoint him one.

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On 2/28/67 [REDACTED] and an active Klansman in the Meridian, Miss., area, solicited Klan support through the confidential source [REDACTED]. Also, [REDACTED] confided to the confidential source that he was unable to "get anything going" to start up an American Nazi Party in the Meridian, Miss., area.

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On 1/25/67 the confidential source visited with LAWRENCE RAINEY, Sheriff, Neshoba County, Miss., and MIBURN defendant, who related that there was no active Klan operating at the present time in Neshoba County.

On 1/25/67 the confidential source maintained contact with EDGAR RAY KILLEN, MIBURN defendant in Meridian, Miss.

On 1/10/67 the confidential source recalled the intimacies connected with his obligation into the Klan and the fact that [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] had advised the group assembled that the state organization of the WKKKKOM had approved the elimination of MICHAEL SCHWERNER.

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On 4/14/67 the confidential source conferred with BYRON DE LA BECKWITH, a known Klansmen and candidate for Lieutenant Governor of the State of Mississippi, at the B. L. Akin Trailer Court. BECKWITH indicated that he was not seriously conducting a campaign for the Lt. Governorship but was more or less involved in a scheme to enhance the sales of the Southern Review, a Klan-sponsored newspaper.

In addition, the confidential source continues to be operated as a counter-intelligence vehicle against the WKKKKOM organization within a six-county area of East Central Mississippi by the following methods:

1. The source continues to prevent and disrupt the distribution of WKKKKOM literature in a six-county area.
2. He continues to fail to recruit new members into the WKKKKOM, although reporting to SAM BOWERS that he

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is earnestly attempting to do so.

3. He continues to neglect to collect dues from Province IV thereby causing a financial strain on the state organization of the WKKKKOM.

4. By discreetly initiating rivalry between the UKA and the WKKKKOM, thereby decreasing the efficiency of both organizations.

5. By discreetly planting seeds of doubt in the minds of Klansmen about the veracity of other Klansmen in the aims and purposes of any Klan organization.

V. AMOUNT PAID FOR SERVICES AND EXPENSES

<u>Date of Payment</u>	<u>Services</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
12/5/66	\$ 91	\$ 50
12/15/66	99	47
12/28/66	92	49
12/30/66	92	48
1/6/67	89	50
1/10/67	99	46
1/14/67	97	49
1/18/67	100	48
1/28/67	94	50
2/2/67	92	49
2/8/67	99	47
2/15/67	98	50
2/21/67	96	49
3/4/67	100	48
3/8/67	95	49
3/15/67	99	43
3/22/67	91	50
3/31/67	94	48
4/8/67	90	49
4/14/67	98	47
4/19/67	95	46
4/25/67	96	50
Total	\$2096	\$1062

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(P) Since 12/20/66 [] has submitted no less than 10 oral and written reports, and he continues to be in daily telephonic contact with the handling Agent.

VIII. STEPS TAKEN TO ADVANCE INFORMANT

The informant continues in his present position as the Province Titan of the WKKKKOM in a six-county area of East Central Mississippi, utilizing as a base of operations Meridian, Miss. The informant has advanced within the ranks of the WKKKKOM from the position of Klavern Kludd to Province Titan. In addition, the informant continues to associate with the Klan-infested Citizens Council presently active in Meridian, Miss.

IX. STABILITY AND RELIABILITY

98% At no time has the informant exhibited any indication of emotional instability, unreliability, or untrustworthiness. There has been no indication that this informant has knowingly furnished any false information. All data furnished by him has been corroborated through other sources. As of this date approximately 98 per cent of the information furnished by the

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confidential source has been verified, and subsequently, he has been able to verify various information supplied by other informants throughout the State of Mississippi.

X. INDOCTRINATION AGAINST DISCLOSURE

The informant continues to be instructed and cautioned concerning his relationship with the FBI and that he should not, under any circumstances, indicate that he is associated in any manner with any member of the FBI. In addition, the source is continually reminded not to participate in any acts of violence or to issue or condone orders to any of his followers to commit such acts. The informant has also been instructed to immediately advise the handling Agent of any plans on the part of the Klan to commit such acts of violence.

XI. ACTION TAKEN ON INFORMATION FURNISHED

A review of the informant's file indicates that all necessary action has been taken on information furnished by him. New cases have been and will continue to be opened on individuals noted by the informant as being Klan officers and those individuals possessing a propensity toward violence.

XII. MISCELLANEOUS

During all contacts, the confidential informant continues to be reminded by the handling Agent that any financial payments he receives should be considered by him as income and reported accordingly to the Internal Revenue Service. The informant states that he is aware of this stipulation and will properly handle the situation when reporting his income.

It is felt that because of the continuing risks experienced by the informant and his willingness to do so, and the value of the information and his eagerness to testify in both the MIBURN and DABURN matters, it is recommended that

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he be continued as a racial informant and contact maintained with him.

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Date: 5/25/67

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]

FROM: SAC, JACKSON [REDACTED] (P)

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On 5/13/67, captioned informant met with AAG JOHN DOAR and Attorney ROBERT OWEN, U. S. Department of Justice, for a lengthy period and discussed in detail the Informant's forthcoming testimony in the MIBURN case. During interview, the Informant advised DOAR and OWEN that he had the original receipts signed by [REDACTED] acknowledging receipt of money sent to the Neshoba County Klavern, White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKKOM), from SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard, WKKKKOM, via the Informant. DOAR and OWEN desired the receipts, originals, be submitted to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with known handwriting samples of [REDACTED]. By separate communication this has been accomplished. Informant advised he did not initially turn original receipts over to the handling Agent since he felt that to authenticate the proper discharge of Klan duties, he needed the original receipts in his possession. However, it should be noted that all the information in both receipts was previously reported in Informant's file and appropriate dissemination effected.

On 5/15/67, handling Agent received information from Informant that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] The Informant stated that the fact that [REDACTED] was the final blow, that he was disgusted, and that he did not want to have "anything more to do with this Klan business." [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] The Informant is certain that no pressure is being exerted by the Klan through [REDACTED] to preclude his testimony. However, after much patient probing and understanding on the part of the handling Agent, he was able to point out to the Informant the illogic involved in forsaking all that he has earnestly worked for this far, and that although it would be highly desirable [REDACTED] at such a crucial period, nevertheless, the unfinished task remains [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Additionally, it was pointed out to the Informant he has been eagerly interested in compiling a book about his experiences in the Klan and that if he did testify, he would garner enough advance publicity to insure the success of any contemplated literary endeavor. In this respect, the Informant is agreeable to let the Bureau edit any and all articles and books that he may compile. After much discussion along these lines, Informant has agreed to testify and embellish an already noteworthy record of accomplishments.

At the present time, the handling Agent is attempting to [REDACTED] however, at this point no success has been noted. [REDACTED]

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With reference to Informant's income tax liability it will be noted that he filed a non-taxable return for 1965 for his regular income, and anonymously paid a tax liability of \$282.66 for tax computed on his income from all sources.

For the year 1966, the Informant filed a return on his regular income reflecting he was due a refund of \$123 the amount deducted by [] Tax on his income from all sources was computed to be \$620.95 and it was under he had paid this amount anonymously; however, he has just disclosed that he has not paid this tax for the year 1966.

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Internal Revenue Service recently audited Informant's 1966 return, reflecting his regular income, and disallowed certain deductions resulting in an adjusted tax liability of \$57.80, for which he has not as yet been billed.

The total amount due for 1966, based on income from all sources, taking into consideration the amounts disallowed on his regular return, is presently being computed.

Informant advised that he does not have the necessary funds to pay his income tax liability and cannot obtain these funds by borrowing or by selling property due to the fact []

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During recent meetings with the Informant, he has pointed out that as a result of his having been "surfaced" and because of the U. S. District Court's ruling that the trial has now been delayed until an undisclosed date, it will be necessary for him to incur double expenses in the maintenance of his family. He has resigned his pastorate and is dodging members of the Klan who have affidavits prepared which they want him to sign refuting any information he may have supplied the government.

The agent handling Informant made no promises but feels in view of the previous outstanding services performed at great personal risk and Informant's desire to testify, coupled with his immeasurable testimony in both the MIBURN and DABURN case, that such a request has merit, i.e. additional funds.

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Every effort will be made to determine the additional expenses that will be incurred as a result of Informant's having to give up his employment and maintain his family in seclusion.

The purpose of this letter is to alert the Bureau to these factors which are going to require additional amounts be paid this individual.

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To: SAC, Jackson

From: Director, FBI

PERSONAL ATTENTION

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In view of the contemplated appearance of captioned informant as a witness in the Miburn case and Daburn case in Mississippi, you are instructed to make immediate arrangements for this informant to pay his delinquent 1966 Federal Income Tax. Your airtel indicated his tax has been computed to be \$620.95 based on his entire income, plus \$57.80 adjusted tax liability which resulted from an audit of his 1966 Tax Return by the Internal Revenue Service. The informant should file an amended return. In order to insure that the tax is paid prior to his appearance as a Government witness in the above-mentioned cases, you should take appropriate steps to verify that the tax has, in fact, been paid.

It is noted that this informant is presently authorized payments up to \$100 per week for services, plus \$50 per week for expenses. Referenced airtel indicates that additional payments will be necessary due to increased problems resulting from this informant's appearance as a Government witness. If increased payments appear justified, you should immediately submit specific recommendations in this regard with full justification for any increase requested.

Referenced airtel also states this informant has pointed out that he has been "surfaced." The Bureau assumes by this statement that the informant's identity as a potential Government witness is known to the Klan and/or the defendants in the above-mentioned cases. You

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should immediately advise the Bureau full details of the informant's having been "surfaced" and should take every precaution to insure his safety as well as the safety of any Agents contacting this informant.

Due to the key role which this informant is expected to play in two very important Bureau cases, you should personally insure that any questionable matters concerning this informant are immediately resolved and the Bureau promptly advised.

NOTE:

Captioned informant is expected to be a key witness in the Miburn and Daburn cases in Mississippi. This informant has been operated since 1964 and has furnished a large volume of extremely valuable information. He has previously advised the contacting Agent that he paid his 1966 Federal Income Tax, however, he now states he has not paid all his Income Tax for 1966 and the tax has been computed to be \$620.95 due primarily because of payments received from the FBI. In addition, his 1966 Tax Return has been audited by IRS and they have advised him he owes an additional \$57.80. The Jackson Office is being instructed to make immediate arrangements to have the informant pay all 1966 taxes which are due. In addition to the tax problem, this informant has now advised that he has been "surfaced." This will vitally effect his appearance as a Key Government witness in the above-mentioned trials and Jackson Office is being instructed to furnish full details regarding his being "surfaced." The Jackson Office also advised that additional payments to this informant will be required in the future. They are being instructed to submit appropriate recommendations regarding any increase in payments.

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Date: 6/10/67

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]

FROM: SAC, JACKSON [REDACTED]

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Re Bureau airtel to Jackson, 6/1/67.

It is requested expense payments to the captioned informant be increased \$50 per week to a maximum of \$100 per week, plus \$100 per week for expenses for a total payment to informant of \$200 per week.

This request is made of the Bureau in view of the informant's current temporary position caused largely by his efforts in behalf of the Bureau. The informant recently resigned his pastorate at an annual salary of \$8,250, rather than bring adverse criticism on his congregation due to his anticipated testimony in both MIBURN and DABURN matters. Thus, he is presently without a source of income. He is presently maintaining his family at [REDACTED] separately at a cost of \$50 per week. The informant's home mortgage in Meridian, Mississippi, continues at a cost of \$95 per month, and he is now alternately living with his invalid mother in rural Forest, Mississippi, and at his permanent residence in Meridian, Mississippi, for reasons of personal security. He advised he is also assisting his mother in maintaining her home by contributing approximately \$50 per week. Informant states he continues to make payments on a car note at a rate of \$50 per month and his expenses, such as taxes, utilities and insurance at his permanent residence continue at \$50 per month. In addition, he has four payments to make on a home improvement loan which amounts to \$110 per month.

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In view of the above additional cost factors, aggravated by his efforts in behalf of the Bureau, it is felt that the requested increase in expenses is justified. It should also be pointed out that should a relocation move for the informant be involved, it would amount to substantially more than the requested increase in expenses. However, as to relocating, the informant is adamant about not leaving the immediate area since he feels that there is still a chance of [redacted]

A recomputation of informant's total income tax liability, based upon the audited figures resulting from audit of his regular tax return by Internal Revenue Service (IRS), reflected a tax liability of \$912, including the additional amount of \$571.80, determined by IRS, to be due on his regular income.

On 6/7/67, the informant filed an amended tax return reflecting the above tax liability. The return was mailed in his own name, accompanied by a \$20 payment and a letter stating that he did not have the funds to pay the tax at this time, but would make regular payments until the entire amount is paid. The Bureau is advised that hereafter the handling Agent will insure that weekly payments will be made to IRS.

The informant was telephonically contacted by B. L. AKIN, MIBURN defendant, during May, 1967, stating the Klan had received word that "a preacher from Meridian" had testified before the FGJ convened in Jackson, Mississippi, during February, 1967. However, AKIN stated the klan source could not identify the preacher by name [redacted]

[redacted] Informant advised AKIN did not appear before the GJ and the conversation ended on good terms. However, it should be pointed out that once the klan has an idea or inkling an individual is guilty, they need no corroborating information, they become convinced, then the assumption is treated as truth and published as klan-wide.

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is convinced that an individual, later determined to be
[redacted] (Jackson indices
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is probably the individual responsible for his "surfacing".
However, the individual could not identify informant by name
and assumedly some doubt may still exist in klan circles.
In this respect, the informant is not completely isolated from
his previous klan contacts, and he has advised that within the
last week defense attorneys instructed MIBURN defendants to "lay
off DELMAR DENNIS before they get into trouble". Furthermore,
the informant relates he did meet recently with [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] conversed amiably and no mention was
made of informant's suspected role in forthcoming MIBURN case.

In spite of the adverse setbacks suffered by the
informant, i.e., [redacted] suspect by the klan, loss
of pastorate, he continues to exhibit an aggressive and determined
attitude to testify in both MIBURN and DABURN matters. In
addition, because of his detailed and intimate knowledge of
klandom in Mississippi, he has been and will continue to be of
invaluable service in debriefings to the Bureau and departmental
attorneys.

The Bureau will be kept advised of pertinent developments
in this matter and every precaution is being exerted to assure
the safety of the informant and continuing good security sense
exercised by the handling Agent in all contacts with him.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. Callahan

DATE: June 20, 1967

1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
1 - Mr. J. G. Deegan

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : C. D. Brennan

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

JACKSON RACIAL INFORMANT

PURPOSE:

Informant is presently paid \$100 per week for services and \$50 per week for expenses. Special Agent in Charge, Jackson, recommends, and we agree, that authorized payments for expenses should be increased to \$100 per week because of changed status requiring greater expenditures by informant in order to continue to assist Bureau. Informant is also in arrears in his taxes. Since he is a vital witness in important Bureau cases, we recommend advancing \$892 for immediate payment of taxes. This amount is to be paid back by deducting \$25 per week from amount we are paying informant for services.

BACKGROUND:

This informant has furnished valuable Klan information since November, 1964. He is a close confidant of Sam Bowers, Imperial Wizard of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi. He has been held in extremely high regard in every area of Klan activity and has been privy to the Klan's most intimate secrets on a state level. Early in the DABURN investigation which involved the burning of property of Vernon Dahmer at Hattiesburg, Mississippi, he furnished the identity of six individuals who were involved in this case.

This individual will testify in the DABURN case as well as the MIBURN case (the murder of the three civil rights workers near Philadelphia, Mississippi, in June, 1964). Nineteen persons were indicted under the Civil Rights Statute in the MIBURN case and thirteen individuals were indicted in the DABURN case. Informant testified before the grand jury in these cases. The General Investigative Division has advised that the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice considers this informant an excellent witness and most essential to the successful prosecution of the above cases.

Informant is presently in a rather precarious position caused largely by his efforts in behalf of the Bureau. He suspects that he may have testified before the grand jury and he is attempting to ride out this suspicion by continuing to meet with known klansmen. In addition, he recently resigned his pastorate which resulted in a loss of an annual

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Re: [redacted]

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salary of \$8,250. It is to be noted that he was pastor of a Southern Methodist church at Pine Springs, Mississippi, and rather than bring adverse criticism on his congregation due to his anticipated testimony, he resigned this position. In addition, [redacted] but is continuing to support them as well as his invalid mother. It has been discussed with the informant the possibility of re-locating him in another area due to the Klan's suspicion; however, the informant is adamant about not leaving the immediate area [redacted]
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The informant's income tax was audited by the Internal Revenue Service and he now has a tax liability of \$912. The informant filed an amended tax return on 6/7/67 reflecting the above tax liability and accompanied it with a \$20 payment and a letter stating he did not have the funds to pay the tax at this time but would make regular payments until the entire amount is paid. The Jackson Office has advised that hereafter the handling Agent will insure that weekly payments will be made by the informant to Internal Revenue.

The Civil Rights Division of the Department has advised that the existing tax delinquency on the part of the informant should be cleared up by him as soon as possible. The Department would have no objection to a large lump sum payment being made to the informant to clear this delinquency. In view of the need of this informant for the successful prosecution of the above-mentioned major cases, it is believed \$892 should be made available for the informant to clear his tax delinquency immediately. This amount can be paid back by the informant to the Bureau on a weekly basis by withholding \$25 per week from the amount authorized for his payment for services. No trial date has been set for the MIBURN and DABURN cases and the informant is continuing to furnish valuable Klan information. It is also to be noted that in the event it was necessary to relocate this informant because of his precarious position there would be an additional cost factor. The informant due to his aggressive attitude and cunning ability to remain in the Meridian, Mississippi, area, thereby eliminates this extra cost factor of relocation.

RECOMMENDATION:

That attached airtel to Jackson be approved authorizing payment of \$892 to the informant for the purpose of satisfying

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Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan

Re: [redacted]
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his tax delinquency and increasing the authorization for payments for expenses from \$50 per week to \$100 per week. SAC, Jackson, is being instructed to deduct \$25 per week from the money paid to the informant for services in order to repay the Bureau for the payment of the \$892.

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
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- 1 - Mr. Callahan
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan

To: SAC, Jackson

PERSONAL ATTENTION

From: Director, FBI

- 1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
- 1 - Mr. J. G. Deegan

JACKSON RACIAL INFORMANT

EX-108

ReJNairtel dated 6/10/67 captioned

Authority is granted to pay captioned individual up to \$100 per week for services on a c.o.d. basis plus up to \$100 per week for expenses actually incurred for a period of four months effective 6/1/67.

In addition to the above, you are authorized to pay the informant \$892 for the purpose of satisfying his tax delinquency. You must insure that this money is paid by the informant to the Internal Revenue Service.

Explain to the informant that the Bureau is advancing this money to him but that it will be necessary for him to repay this money on a weekly basis by deducting \$25 per week from money which would be paid him for his services. In order to insure that this repayment is effective, you will withhold \$25 per week from the informant's payments for services.

Future justification letters should show the amount deducted from authorized payments until full amount is recovered by Bureau.

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NOTE: See memorandum C. D. Brennan to Mr. W. C. Sullivan dated 6/20/67 captioned as above, prepared by JGD:dsm.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, JACKSON

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Re Bureau airtel to Jackson, 6/21/67.

In accordance with Bureau instructions contained in referenced airtel, Jackson Division obtained cashier's check in the amount of \$892, made payable to Internal Revenue Service; exhibited check to informant; and advised him that the money constituted an advance by the Bureau for the purpose of setting his tax delinquency straight. Further, the handling Agent personally insured that the certified check was mailed to the Internal Revenue Service Office, at Jackson, Miss. It was explained to the informant that it would be necessary for him to repay the money on a weekly basis by deducting \$25 per week from the money which would be paid him for his services. In this respect, he is agreeable and in fact, has agreed to having \$50 per week deducted in order to insure that the repayment is effected.

UACB, Jackson Division will continue to deduct \$50 per week from payments made to informant until the full amount is recovered by the Bureau.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]
FROM : SAC, JACKSON [REDACTED] (P)
SUBJECT : CONE INET. [REDACTED]

DATE: 9/28/67

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Re Jackson letter to Bureau dated 5/10/67, and
Bureau airtel to Jackson dated 6/21/67.

I. RECOMMENDATION:

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It is recommended that authority be granted to
continue to make payments to the captioned informant up
to \$100 per week for services, plus up to \$100 per week
for expenses actually incurred, for a four-month period,
commencing 10/1/67.

On 6/21/67, the Bureau approved payment to the
informant of up to \$100 per week for services on a C.O.D.
basis, plus up to \$100 per week for expenses actually
incurred for a period of four months, effective 6/1/67.
A continuation of these funds is requested due to the
informant's continued association with known Klansmen,
the ever-increasing personal risks he continues to take
on behalf of the Bureau, the excellent intelligence data
he continues to furnish on the defendants in the MIBURN
matter, and the potentially damaging testimony to the
defendants that he will offer in both the MIBURN and DABURN
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II. RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT:

The informant is currently managing a DX service station located at the corner of 11th Street and 24th Avenue in Meridian, Miss.

III. MEMBERSHIP:

The informant still continues in his position as the Province Titan of the WKKKKOM. In addition, the informant continues to associate with the UKA and the Citizens Council in Meridian, Miss., a Klan-infested organization. The informant continues to hold a reputation as an influential Klansman in the east central Mississippi area.

IV. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED:

The informant continues to contact the defendants in the MIBURN case and in so doing, discretely disillusions the defendants with the sincerity and integrity of the Klan.

The informant continues to monitor the activities of both the WKKKKOM and the UKA, Inc., in the Meridian, Miss. area.

The informant also continues to hold onto his position as the Director on the state level of the White Christian Protective and Legal Defense Fund (WCPLDF).

On 4/14/67, informant met with BYRON DELA BECKWITH, known Klansman and recent aspirant for Lt. Governor of the State of Mississippi. DELA BECKWITH made known his plans for utilizing the Klan propaganda newspaper, "The Southern Review", in furthering his campaign for Lt. Governor and also made known his financial interest in the Klan newspaper.

On 4/19/67, informant advised of the unsuccessful efforts of SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard, WKKKKOM, in attempting to revitalize interest in the Meridian area toward the WKKKKOM through . Additionally, the Klan would utilize the White Citizens Council of Lauderdale County as its point

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of assembly and the covert arm for its operation in the Meridian, Miss., area.

On 5/1/67, informant supplied miscellaneous information on 14 known Klansmen in the Meridian, Miss., area.

The informant, on 5/8/67, identified and furnished copies of the "Citizen Patriot", a propaganda pamphlet promulgated by the WKKKKOM.

On 5/15/67, the informant furnished the original signed receipts [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] acknowledging receipt of money sent to the Neshoba County Klavern of the WKKKKOM from SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard, via the informant.

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The informant, on 5/22/67, related intimate details of conversations that he had with B. L. AKIN, MIBURN defendant, in Meridian, Miss.

On 5/22/67, the informant advised that the WKKKKOM organization no longer existed in Neshoba County, Miss., and also furnished miscellaneous information regarding the Klan.

The informant, on 6/21/67, furnished information regarding one WAYNE ROBERTS, MIBURN defendant, of Meridian, Miss.

The informant, on 6/28/67, furnished valuable intelligence data regarding the forthcoming statewide elections in Mississippi, and the anticipated Klan plans regarding these elections.

Informant, on 7/10/67, advised of the active political efforts on the part of [redacted] in behalf of a certain gubernatorial candidate in the State of Mississippi.

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Informant, on 7/19/67, furnished a breakdown of candidates for county offices within Neshoba County, Miss., and their known Klan backgrounds and affiliations.

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On 8/2/67, informant advised that one [REDACTED] a known Klansman in the Lauderdale County, Miss., area, was singularly responsible for swinging Klan support from gubernatorial candidate to another.

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Informant, on 8/5/67, engaged in conversation with Klansmen in the Meridian, Miss., area and furnished valuable intelligence data on WAYNE ROBERTS, a MIBURN defendant.

In addition, the informant continues to operate as a counterintelligence vehicle both the WKKKKOM and the UKA organizations in a six county area of east central Miss., by discretely initiating rivalry between the UKA and the WKKKKOM, thereby decreasing the efficiency of both organizations and by discretely planting seeds of doubt in the minds of Klansmen about the veracity of other Klansmen and the aims and purposes of any type Klan organization.

V. AMOUNT PAID FOR SERVICES AND EXPENSES:

<u>DATE OF PAYMENT</u>	<u>SERVICES</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>REPAYMENT OF LOAN</u>
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5-10-67	99	47	--
5-19-67	96	48	--
5-24-67	97	49	--
6-1-67	90	50	--
6-6-67	100 ✓	45 ✓	--
6-15-67	96	50	--
6-22-67	93	50	--
6-28-67	97	50 ✓	--
7-6-67	100	74	--
7-14-67	100 ✓	93	50
7-24-67	97	98	50
7-27-67	100	91 ✓	50
8-2-67	100 ✓	96	50
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VI. NUMBER OF ACTIVITIES AND PERSONS ON WHOM
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Informant continues to maintain his position as Province Titan in a six county area of east central Miss., with the WKKKKOM. By virtue of this position, the informant continues to attract many of the various hate-type organizations prevalent within the State of Miss. In addition, he regularly contacts individuals of the UKA organization who are responsible for policy making decisions within the Lauderdale County, Miss., area. Lastly, the informant continues to maintain his position as the Meridian area representative for the WCPLDF.

VII. NUMBER OF WRITTEN AND ORAL REPORTS SUBMITTED:

10 Since 5/20/67, informant has submitted no less than ten written reports and he continues to be in daily telephonic contact with the handling Agent.

VIII. STEPS TAKEN TO ADVANCE INFORMANT:

The informant has advanced within the ranks of the WKKKKOM from the position of Klavern Kludd to Province Titan. In addition, the informant continues to associate with the Klan-infested Citizens Council, presently active in Meridian, Miss.

IX. STABILITY AND RELIABILITY

95% At no time has the informant exhibited any indication of emotional instability, unreliability, or untrustworthiness. There has been no indication that this informant has knowingly furnished any false information. All data furnished by him has been corroborated through other sources. As of this date, approximately 95 percent of the information furnished by the informant has been verified and subsequently he has been able to verify various information supplied by other informants throughout the State of Mississippi.

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X. INDOCTRINATION AGAINST DISCLOSURE:

Informant continues to be instructed and cautioned concerning his relationship with the FBI and that he should not, under any circumstances, indicate that he is associated in any manner with any member of the FBI. In addition, the source is continually reminded not to participate in any acts of violence or to issue or condone orders to any of his followers to commit such acts. Informant has also been instructed to immediately advise the handling Agent of any plans on the part of the Klan to commit such acts of violence.

XI. ACTION TAKEN ON INFORMATION FURNISHED:

A review of the informant's file indicates that all necessary action has been taken on information furnished by him. New cases have been, and will continue to be, opened on individuals noted by the informant as being Klan officers and those individuals possessing a propensity towards violence.

XII. MISCELLANEOUS:

During all contacts, the informant continues to be reminded by the handling Agent that any financial payments he receives should be considered by him as income and reported accordingly to the Internal Revenue Service. In addition, during the past year, the informant has been making weekly payments of \$50 on a total tax delinquency of \$892.

It is felt that because of the continuing risks experienced by the informant in his willingness to do so, and the value of the information and his eagerness to testify in both the MIBURN and DABURN matters, it is recommended that he be continued as a racial informant and contact maintained with him.

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ATTENTION: INSPECTOR

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

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IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT CAPTIONED INDIVIDUALS ARE TO
BE WITNESSES IN THE MIBURN TRIAL, YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY
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THIS TRIAL WHETHER CONTINUED REGULAR PAYMENTS TO THESE
INDIVIDUALS WILL JEOPARDIZE CREDIBILITY OF THEIR TESTIMONY.

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IN THE EVENT THE DEPARTMENT STATES PAYMENTS WOULD JEOPARDIZE
CREDIBILITY OF THEIR TESTIMONY, THE INFORMANTS SHOULD BE

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IMMEDIATELY ADVISED THAT PAYMENTS ARE BEING SUSPENDED UNTIL

THE CONCLUSION OF THE TRIAL. SUTEL DEPARTMENT'S REPLY TO

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THE ABOVE QUESTION.

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NOTE:

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Both informants are scheduled to be witnesses in
the MIBURN trial which commenced 10/9/67. These informants
have not testified to date. The Departmental Attorneys handling
the trial including the Assistant Attorney General John Doar
are presently in Meridian, Mississippi; therefore, above
communication is being sent. This matter has been coordinated
with the Civil Rights Section of the General Investigative
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TO DIRECTOR

FROM JACKSON

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THE DESIRABILITY OF CONTINUING PAYMENTS TO THE CAPTIONED SOURCES DURING THE PERIOD OF THE MIBURN TRIAL WAS DISCUSSED WITH AAG JOHN DOAR. HE ADVISED THAT THE TYPE OF PAYMENTS PRESENTLY BEING MADE WILL NOT IN HIS OPINION AFFECT THE CREDIBILITY OF THE WITNESSES; THEREFORE, HE POSES NO OBJECTION TO CONTINUED PAYMENTS AT THIS TIME. IT IS NOTED IN THIS CONNECTION THAT THERE HAVE BEEN NO RECENT PAYMENTS TO AND NO PAYMENTS ARE CONTEMPLATED EXCEPT UNDER UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES AND THIS WILL BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE BUREAU.

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

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To: SAC, Jackson

From: Director, FBI

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Reurlet dated 9/28/67 and your teletype dated 10/10/67.

Authority is granted to continue payments to captioned individual of up to \$100 per week for services on a c.o.d. basis plus up to \$100 per week for expenses actually incurred for a period of four months effective 10/1/67.

The opinion furnished by the Assistant Attorney General John Doar of the Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, must be confirmed in writing in accordance with Bureau regulations in this matter.

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NOTE:

The above is a continuation of previously authorized payments. During the last period the informant was paid a total of \$4,001. He submitted ten reports; however, he is in daily telephonic contact with the handling Agent. Ninety per cent of the information furnished by this informant has been verified through other sources. The informant is a valuable witness in the MIBURN and DABURN cases. Referenced Jackson teletype advised that the Assistant Attorney General John Doar, Civil Rights Division, who is handling the MIBURN case stated that the type of payments being made to this informant will not in his opinion affect the credibility of the witness. Therefore, he poses no objection to continued payment at this time. Prior to authorizing continued payment to this informant, the Jackson Office was instructed to obtain the opinion of the Departmental Attorney handling the MIBURN case which is presently in session.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 10/19/67

FROM : SAC, JACKSON

SUBJECT: CONF. INFT.

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On 10/10/67, DELMAR DENNIS, captioned source, testified in the Government case involving the conspiracy to murder three civil rights workers, MIBURN. His testimony was a major contribution and various news articles have described him as "the most impressive Government witness."

While some news articles have been complimentary, locally the source has been branded as a paid informant and not as a hero, as in the case of communist informants in the past. He was fired from his job and has been estranged from [redacted] and friends.

The criticism that has arisen because of his cooperation with the Bureau arises from a general acceptance of the Klan in this area even though the people are usually repulsed by the Klan-instigated violence. DENNIS feels that it would be a fulfillment of the mission which he undertook in assisting the FBI if he continues his efforts to portray the hoodlum Klan apparatus for what it is. He feels that in his sermons and lectures he can accomplish this to some extent. Furthermore, he feels that a book about his experience in the Klan, exposing it for what it is, is necessary.

DENNIS wants to do this the right way. He wants to continue to fight this lawless element in close cooperation with the Bureau.

DENNIS has kept no original notes or reports based on his work as an informant. He is now preparing a manuscript which is a framework of ideas to attack and expose the Klan. He feels a book is ultimately necessary. He desires to submit his manuscript for approval by the Bureau to assure it is consistent with the security of our operations, the testimony

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he has given in the MIBURN case, and will give in the case of VERNON DAHMER, scheduled for trial 11/13/67.

DENNIS has been satisfied in his relations with the Bureau. He has a vast amount of information and experience which can be used to expose the Klan. He has a deep admiration for the FBI and Director J. EDGAR HOOVER, and has sacrificed a great deal as a result of his exposure as a paid informant of the FBI in the Mississippi Ku Klux Klan.

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As a result of his cooperation, [redacted]
[redacted] he has been fired from his job; and he has not been able to carry out his call as a Methodist minister.

Source is presently working on his manuscript. He is vocal and literate, and would be an excellent spokesman against the Klan. In view of his potential, it is recommended that the Bureau give every consideration to his work. He intends to produce a book, and it is to our interest to review it and to use it to the Bureau's best interests. He is agreeable to any suggestions and recommendations which the Bureau has which would protect its operations and assist in exposing the Klan.

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Mohr

November 6, 1967

Mr. John Doar
Assistant Attorney General

Director, FBI

DELMAR DENNIS
INFORMATION CONCERNING
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This is to advise that Delmar Dennis who testified in the Government's case involving the conspiracy to murder three civil rights workers in Mississippi recently advised that he is now preparing a book concerning his activities in the Klan. Dennis stated that he feels it would be a fulfillment of the mission which he undertook if he continued his efforts to depict the hoodlum Klan apparatus for what it is. He has indicated that his motive is not solely a financial one but to further his contribution in disrupting the Klan. He desires to cooperate with the United States Government and does not desire to have anything published which would prejudice the Government's activities in prosecuting the Klan.

The above is being furnished in view of the fact that Dennis recently testified in the case mentioned above and is expected to testify in the trial scheduled for November 13, 1967, at Hattiesburg, Mississippi, concerning the shooting into and burning of the Vernon Dahmer residence.

In view of the above, Dennis is being instructed not to consider publication of his book until the above cases have been disposed of in District Court.

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NOTE:

See memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan dated 11/3/67 captioned "Delmar Dennis; Racial Informant; Racial Matters," prepared by JTK:clb/dsm.

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To: SAC, Jackson
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Director, FB

1 - Mr. DeLoach
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DELMAR DENNIS
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You should promptly contact Delmar Dennis and instruct him that he should not consider actual publication of a book until such time as the MIBURN and DABURN cases are disposed of in District Court.

In addition, you should obtain from Dennis the manuscript he is preparing so that it may be reviewed by the Bureau in order to maintain necessary security of our operations in Mississippi. Insure that Dennis understands that any review of his manuscript by the Bureau is in no way to be construed as an indorsement of the manuscript by the FBI.

Keep Bureau advised of all pertinent developments in this matter.

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NOTE:

See memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan dated 11/3/67 captioned as above, prepared by JTK:clb/dsm.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: DELMAR DENNIS
RACIAL INFORMANT
RACIAL MATTERS

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
DATE: November 3, 1967

1 - Mr. Rosen
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The purpose of this memorandum is to advise of Delmar Dennis's plan to write a book exposing and discrediting the Ku Klux Klan and relating his activities as an FBI informant and to obtain approval for the attached letter to the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice advising of the above.

BACKGROUND:

Delmar Dennis, a 27-year-old preacher, has been a top-level Klan informant of the Jackson Division for three years. He recently testified in the MIBURN case, which concerned the conspiracy to murder three civil rights workers in Meridian, Mississippi. The Department plans to have him testify in the DABURN case which is scheduled for trial November 13, 1967, and which involves the shooting into and burning of the Vernon Dahmer residence in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, on January 10, 1966. Through his testimony, the Government has been able to expose the Klan organization in Mississippi along with its leaders such as Sam Bowers, Imperial Wizard, of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS:

Dennis is now preparing a manuscript in which he desires to expose the violent nature of the Klan and document Klan activities including acts of terrorism, intimidation, and corruption. He has kept no original notes or reports based on his work as an informant.

He desires to submit his manuscript for approval by the Bureau to assure that it is consistent with the security of our operations, the testimony he has given in the MIBURN case, and will give in the DABURN case.

OBSERVATIONS:

Dennis has a deep admiration for the FBI and the Director. He will welcome any suggestions made by the Bureau.

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Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan
Re: Delmar Dennis
Racial Informant
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He has a desire to expose the Klan and fight this lawless element in close cooperation with the Bureau. Through his vast experience and information which he obtained while a member of the Klan organization, he is in a good position to place the Klan in a most unfavorable light.

Dennis is amenable to any suggestions and recommendations which the Bureau might have. The Jackson Office states that the Bureau should control his writings in order to protect the Bureau's interest and to expose the Klan to the fullest extent. It is within our best interest to review the manuscript. However, the informant must be advised that our review of his writings may in no way be construed as an indorsement of the manuscript by the FBI.

The Department plans to use Dennis's testimony in the DABURN case and in any retrial of the MIBURN case, and therefore, should be apprised of Dennis's plans to publish a manuscript.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) That attached letter to the Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, of the Department of Justice, concerning the above be approved and advising that Dennis is being instructed that he should not consider publication until such time as the DABURN and MIBURN cases are disposed of in District Court.

(2) That the attached airtel to Jackson in accordance with the above be approved instructing that the informant is not to consider actual publication of a book until such time as the MIBURN and DABURN cases are disposed of in District Court. In addition, Jackson is to instruct the informant to submit the manuscript for review by the Bureau so that it can be reviewed in order to maintain necessary security of our operations in Mississippi and to prohibit any potential embarrassment to the Bureau.

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Date: 11/28/67

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, JACKSON

DELMAR DENNIS
RACIAL INFORMANT

Re Bureau airtel to Jackson, 11/6/67.

On 11/13/67 DENNIS was contacted, and the matter of his forthcoming book was discussed at which time he stated that he was not considering publication until the MIBURN and DABURN Cases are disposed of in District Court. DENNIS agreed to make available the complete manuscript of the book, when finished, for review by the Bureau. DENNIS is aware that the review does not constitute an endorsement by the FBI, but rather a necessary security precaution.

DENNIS, who according to public sources was easily the most impressive Government witness in the MIBURN Case, has since his testimony, suffered economic and social reprisals in the community. Prior to his testimony, he was employed as an underwriter for the Standard Life Insurance Company, with headquarters in Jackson, Miss. On the very day that DENNIS testified, he was notified that he could no longer consider himself an employee of the firm, and that the company preferred not to consider a \$25,000 life insurance which DENNIS had initiated. The firm explained in an inter-office memo that "Perhaps at some future time (not less than one year) we might be able to consider coverage." This loss of

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employment has resulted in an immediate financial strain that will, according to DENNIS, cause him to lose personal property. In this respect, he has been unable to secure employment in the Meridian, Mississippi, area.

DENNIS has also received statements from all of his creditors, asking for full payment due, since the firms were advised or assumed that he would be leaving the Meridian area soon.

The local newspaper, "The Meridian Star", has been less than charitable to DENNIS, highlighting not his invaluable service to his country and the FBI, but rather his paid-informant status liking it to a JUDAS betrayal, a gross violation of southern tradition, and the general inference of flagrantly disregarding the Klan oath of secrecy.

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DENNIS advised that because of his determination to testify for the Government,

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As a result, DENNIS today stands alone without benefit of his family and many of his friends because of his determined and dedicated stand against the Klan.

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DENNIS also has been asked not to attend the First Southern Methodist Church of Meridian, a church which, in fact, he organized, because the congregation feels that the Klan might use dynamite to blow the church up while he is in attendance.

The Masonic organization, of which DENNIS is a member, has censored him within their ranks for revealing the secrets of the defendants in the MIBURN Case, who were also members of the Masonic organization.

DENNIS, an ordained minister of the Baptist Church, has in the past sold Bibles to various individuals on credit. Since his appearance in the MIBURN trial, his customers have refused to pay him money due, causing him a loss estimated at \$600.

On 11/21/67 DENNIS advised that he has placed his home, located in Meridian, Miss., in the hands of a realtor. He stated that he cannot meet the house payments and maintain

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At the present time, DENNIS is attempting to rent the home in hopes of off-setting the monthly payments. For the time being, DENNIS will reside with his mother, Mrs. CARRIE DENNIS, Route 4, Box 125, Forest, Miss.

However, there have been signs of encouragement received by DENNIS from Mississippians. The Episcopal Church leaders and some Southern Baptist Ministers have written expressing appreciation for what he has done, but these are few and far between.

In addition, the JOHN BURCH Society, of which DENNIS states he is a member, advised him of their complete endorsement of his activities in spite of numerous resignations by other members who were dialectically opposed to his activities and resulting stand.

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The current dilemma preplexing DENNIS is his inability to secure a job in the Meridian, Miss., area. In conversation, DENNIS related if he is unable to gain employment, he will not only suffer financially, but would, in principal, be admitting to an already hostile community that what he has done would be to no avail and that anyone who performs the services of an informant for the FBI cannot stay in the community he has known as his home for many years. In this respect, DENNIS feels that since he has no job, and no prospects, he would be willing to relocate, preferably out of the "Klan Belt" and possibly in the southwestern area of the United States, particularly in the New Mexico or Colorado areas. However, it is reiterated that DENNIS prefers not to relocate but rather gain employment in the Meridian, Miss., area, or for that matter anywhere in the State of Miss. DENNIS considers his obtaining employment of paramount importance at this point, and thus far he has been unsuccessful in achieving this aim.

DENNIS is currently solely engaged in compiling his book. He is counting very heavily on proceeds from the book as a panacea for all of his financial and social ills.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WCS*

FROM : [Redacted] *far*

SUBJECT: DELMAR DENNIS
RACIAL INFORMANT - RACIAL MATTERS
[Redacted]

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Mohr
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PURPOSE: To advise of the hardships incurred by Delmar Dennis as a result of his testimony in the Miburn Case (involving the kidnap and murder of three civil rights workers at Philadelphia, Mississippi, in June, 1964) against hard-core Klan members, and to obtain approval for the attached airtel to Jackson instructing them to follow this matter closely and advise of any further harrassment to Dennis. *DeLoach*

BACKGROUND: You will recall that Delmar Dennis, a 27-year-old preacher has been a top-level Klan informant of the Jackson Division for three years. He recently testified in the Miburn Case in Meridian, Mississippi. His testimony, according to public sources, made him the Government's most impressive witness. *Na*

However, since his testimony Dennis has suffered economic and social reprisals in the community of Meridian, Mississippi, where he resides. He was dismissed from his employment as an underwriter for an insurance company, and the company has not accepted a \$25,000 life insurance policy which Dennis had initiated. This loss of employment has caused a financial strain that will, according to Dennis, cause him to lose personal property. To date, Dennis has not been able to secure employment. *44-1*

Dennis, who has sold Bibles to persons on credit, claims that since the Miburn trial his customers have refused to pay him money due, causing him a loss estimated at \$600. *37*

Dennis has received statements from all his creditors asking for full payment as the creditors believe Dennis plans to leave Meridian, Mississippi, area in the future. *DEC 48*

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Memo to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
Re: DELMAR DENNIS



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Socially, Dennis has been discriminated against since testifying at the Miburn Trial. The Masonic Lodge where he is a member has censored him for revealing the secrets of the defendants in the Miburn Case who are also members of the Masonic organization. He has been asked not to attend the First Southern Methodist Church of Meridian, which church he organized, as the congregation believes the Klan might retaliate against Dennis by blowing up the church. The local newspaper in Meridian has compared Dennis's paid informant status with a Judas betrayal and a gross violation of southern tradition.

OBSERVATION: Dennis's current problems stem from having no employment and as a consequence, he has incurred financial difficulty. He is currently working on a manuscript concerning the Klan which he has agreed to make available the completed book when finished for review by the Bureau. He is aware that the review does not constitute an endorsement of the book by the FBI, but is a necessary security precaution. If publication of the book is successful, the proceeds undoubtedly will assist in solving his financial problems. With the adverse feeling toward Dennis because of his testimony as a paid FBI informant, there is a possibility that he will undergo more harrassment by the residents of his community. Therefore, Jackson should be instructed to follow this matter closely and advise the Bureau immediately if Dennis incurs any further harrassment.

RECOMMENDATION: That the attached airtel to the Jackson Office be approved which will advise Jackson to follow this matter closely and immediately advise the Bureau if Dennis receives further harrassment. United States Attorney, Jackson, has advised this does not constitute a violation of the Obstruction of Justice Statute.

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To: SAC, Jackson
From: Director, FBI

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DELMAR DENNIS
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Insure that you follow this matter closely and that the Bureau is immediately furnished with any evidence of further harassment or intimidation to Dennis.

If any physical violence is threatened, you should immediately advise the Bureau and take appropriate steps to prevent any physical harm to Dennis.

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NOTE:

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Memorandum

TO : Mr. Rosen *R*

DATE: December 8, 1967

FROM : C. L. McGowan *McGowan*

- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Helgeson
- 1 - Mr. McGowan
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan

SUBJECT: DELMAR DENNIS
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SAC Roy Moore of the Jackson Office was telephonically instructed on 12/8/67 to discuss with U. S. Attorney Robert Hauberg of the Southern District of Mississippi facts concerning the "harassment" to which Dennis had been subjected following his testifying in the MIBURN case. SAC Moore was instructed to ascertain from U. S. Attorney Hauberg whether or not such would constitute a violation of the Obstruction of Justice Statute (Section 1503 of Title 18).

SAC Moore advised the Bureau on the afternoon of 12/8/67 that this matter had been brought to the attention of Hauberg. At the time Hauberg was contacted on the matter, John Doar of the Civil Rights Division was with Mr. Hauberg. It was the opinion of Hauberg and Doar that it would be necessary to show injury to property or person to have a violation of the Obstruction of Justice Statute. They did not feel that the loss of a job could be construed as injury to property. *D*

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DELMAR DENNIS
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You should discourage Dennis from participating in any speaking tour sponsored by "Truth About Civil Turmoil" (TACT), a John Birch Society sponsored organization, inasmuch as his testimony will be utilized in the future in the Miburn and Daburn cases. Point out to Dennis that if he participates in a speaking tour, he may in some way be misquoted or misconstrued in such a manner that it would affect his credibility as a witness in any future litigation.

Jackson Division should do everything possible to assist Dennis in obtaining gainful employment so that he may meet his financial obligations and not be forced to accept employment of the type mentioned in referenced letter in order to receive an income.

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NOTE:

Dennis was approached by John Birch Society, San Bernardino, California, inquiring as to whether or not he was interested in participating in a speaking tour sponsored by TACT. Dennis advised that if he accepted this offer, he would concentrate his speaking efforts in exposing the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Mississippi. Dennis was an outstanding witness in the recent Miburn trial in Meridian, Mississippi, and the Department expects to utilize his testimony in a retrial of some of the defendants in the Miburn case and also in the trial of the Daburn case. Because of Dennis' testimony in the Miburn case, he lost his employment and has not been able to obtain employment since the trial. His unemployment has caused him

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financial hardship; and because of this, the offer of employment by TACT at the rate of \$50 per day appears attractive to him. If Dennis were to obtain employment, it is believed that he would not be as receptive to speaking offers of this type. Therefore, Jackson being instructed to assist him in obtaining some type of employment.

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Re Jackson airtel to Bureau dated 11/28/67.

On 12/15/67 DENNIS advised that he has been contacted by [REDACTED] John Birch Society, San Bernardino, California, inquiring as to whether or not he was interested in participating in a speaking tour sponsored by "Truth About Civil Turmoil" (TACT), a John Birch Society sponsored organization. DENNIS stated he was also contacted by [REDACTED] the TACT committee, [REDACTED] also of San Bernardino, California, urging him to accept the offer.

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DENNIS related that he has given the matter much thought and while still undecided, the idea appeals to him.

DENNIS stated that no definite itinerary was related to him but the individuals proposed that the tour would take place in the Rocky Mountain states and that he would be reimbursed at the rate of \$50.00 per day, plus expenses each day that he speaks.

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DENNIS advised that should he decide to embark on such a tour he would concentrate his speaking efforts in exposing the WKKKKOM, the fraudulent klan constitution and the absurdities of the klan oath. He states he would add comments of the propaganda sheets published and disseminated by the klan and how naive Mississippians were duped to klandom's ranks. By use of conjectures he stated he would vehemently disclose acts of violence by whoever perpetrated them. In conclusion he stated his general aim would be to depict the klan as Un-American Organization.

In this respect it is the opinion of the handling agent that DENNIS, a member of the John Birch Society, would pitch his contemplated speech to squelch the prevalent opinion that the klan is composed of "Birchers" and by so doing would contain the prevailing opinion and enhance the position of the Society.

The handling agent has endeavored to dissuade DENNIS from embarking on such a tour but he continues to entertain the thought of doing so, specifically pointing out that he is unemployed and must at sometime or another pursue a career so as to provide himself with a livelihood. The agent, too, has pointed out the undesirability of speaking and unwittingly divulging anything in pending matters of interest to the Bureau; in particular, the MIBURN and DABURN cases and especially the Bureau's continued intelligence operations against the klan in Mississippi. However, he assures the agent that should he desire to tour with TACT he would be most circumspect in his statements and confine his remarks to what was previously outlined above.

The fact that DENNIS is still unemployed continues to plague him and he continues to suffer monetary losses as previously enumerated in referenced Jackson airtel. While he is appreciative of the continuance of funds furnished to him by the Bureau, he states that at some future time this, too, will stop. Meanwhile he continues to work on his book and is in high hopes of garnering financial gain from this endeavor.

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Upon completion of his book, this will be furnished to the Bureau. DENNIS has in fact stated that if he was successful in obtaining employment he would quickly dismiss any inclination to embark on such a speaking tour. DENNIS is still very hopeful of receiving monetary remuneration for his outstanding performance in the MIBURN case. It was explained to him prior to his agreeing to testify in behalf of the Government that he would be reasonably compensated, depending on his performance. The MIBURN case resulted in the conviction of seven klansmen, of which DENNIS was by virtue of his outstanding testimony, singularly responsible for the conviction of SAM BOWERS, CECIL PRICE, and BILLY WAYNE POSEY. It is felt that he should be reasonably compensated in this respect. In the DABURN matter, in which he is ready and willing to testify, however, at the present time no definite legal tack has been established, and as a result it has not been definitely decided as to whether or not he will be used.

When both the MIBURN and DABURN cases are resolved, it is strongly urged that the Bureau consider making a lump sum settlement with DENNIS commensurate with a long outstanding performance in the Bureau's efforts against the klan, his stellar performance in the MIBURN case and his extraordinary potential in the DABURN case.

Jackson Division will continue to maintain contact with DENNIS and the Bureau will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
1 - Mr. J. P. Mohr

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1 - Mr. N. P. Callahan
1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
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To: SAC, Jackson

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DELMAR DENNIS
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Reurairtel dated 1/16/68.

The Bureau is in agreement with your personal recommendation that it is within the best interests of the Bureau to allow Dennis to relocate and start life anew in another area.

Therefore, authority is granted to pay Dennis up to \$500 for moving expenses, \$1500 for educational expenses at the University of New Mexico; \$1000 for housing; and \$1600 for food, clothing, and insurance. You should make it clear to Dennis that all expenses must be justified and payments will be made only for actual expenses incurred. Insure that Dennis submits a detailed itemized account for all expenditures.

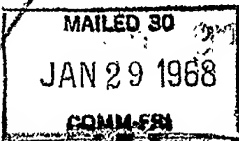
Payments to Dennis for child support payments (\$800) and car note payments (\$200), which you advised were past due and owing, are not authorized by the Bureau. These items should have been previously paid by Dennis out of previously authorized payments to Dennis.

Authority is also denied to pay Dennis an amount of \$2600 for the child support for one year.

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FROM: SAC, JACKSON

DELMAR DENNIS
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Re Bureau airtel to Jackson 1/3/68.

On 1/11/68 DENNIS advised that he was not going to participate in a speaking tour sponsored by "Truth About Civil Turmoil" (TACT), a John Birch Society organization. DENNIS relates that he is turning down overtures from TACT in order to continue cooperating with the Bureau.

However, at the present time DENNIS remains unemployed and, although numerous efforts have been initiated by the Jackson Division to secure employment for him, to date all efforts have been unsuccessful.

Originally DENNIS desired not to relocate, but rather, wanted to meet head-on the informant stigma acquired by him. But as of lately, he has been verbally assaulted on the streets of Meridian, Mississippi, his home was shot into, and he has been isolated by his friends, church, and the community in general. All these reversals have been

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experienced as a result of his association and work with the Bureau. These current reversals have discouraged DENNIS, but in spite of this the informant has not lost faith in the Bureau.

DENNIS is aware that as long as he continues to reside in environs of Meridian he will constitute a living anathema to every local Klansman to heap their hate and denouncements upon. He will continue to be the victim of anonymous phone calls, verbal threats, and, in fact, place himself in great physical danger.

In view of the great potential threat to his personal safety and his complete isolation in the community, DENNIS is now desirous of relocating. In this respect, and after much thought, he indicates a firm desire to relocate in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to further his education at the University of New Mexico. DENNIS relates that he arrived at this choice for the following reasons:

- 1) The area is completely out of the Klan belt;
- 2) the area is conducive to personal achievement because of its rapid growth;
- 3) and because [redacted]

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DENNIS plans to attend the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque; however, in order to offset the cost of his education he is extremely desirous of obtaining a permanent position. He has been advised that the Albuquerque Division would render him assistance in obtaining employment in that area.

The following is an approximate breakdown of expenses, actual and projected, which would be necessary for DENNIS to relocate and establish himself in a new life:

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\$500	Moving expenses (household effects from Meridian, Mississippi, to Albuquerque, New Mexico)
✓800	Child support payments (in arrears)
✓200	Car note (in arrears)
1500	Approximate expenses for one year of study at the University of New Mexico
1000	Apartment in Albuquerque
2600	Child support (one year)
<u>1600</u>	Food, clothing, and insurance
\$8200	

The fact that DENNIS has been surfaced should not minimize his continued importance to the work of the Bureau in its operations against the Klan in Mississippi. He continues to maintain significant importance in view of current appeals in the MIBURN case and the possibility of subsequent retrial of MIBURN defendants not presently convicted and, most important, he is a tested individual who can furnish background information regarding the Klan in connection with the DABURN matter. In addition, he continues to compile information for his anticipated book exposing the Klan in Mississippi and remains agreeable to submitting the completed manuscript for scrutiny by the Bureau. DENNIS, by virtue of his work in behalf of the Bureau, will continue to be attempted by organizations such as the John Birch Society who will want to selfishly exploit him. By DENNIS' relocating and furthering his education, it is felt that these temptations would be minimized and would assure his future stability.

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In view of the personal reversals experienced by DENNIS as a result of his determined and dedicated stand in behalf of the Bureau, it is strongly urged that the Bureau consider payment to the informant in the amount outlined in order for him to sever life-long ties in Mississippi and start life anew in Albuquerque. DENNIS is hopeful of effecting the relocation movement as soon as possible.

One copy furnished Albuquerque for information purposes.
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/22/68

FROM : SAC, JACKSON

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Re Jackson letter to Bureau 9/28/67.

I. RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that authority be granted to continue to make payments to the captioned informant, up to \$100 per week for services, plus up to \$100 per week for expenses actually incurred for a four month period commencing 2/1/68.

On 10/21/67 the Bureau approved payment to the informant of up to \$100 per week for serviced on a COD basis plus up to \$100 per week for expenses actually incurred for a period of four months. A continuation of these funds is requested due to the informant's stellar performance in the MIBURN case, the potentially damaging testimony to the not yet convicted defendants in the MIBURN case, should these individuals be retried and the excellent background data that the informant could furnish should he be utilized as a witness in the DABURN case.

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II. RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT:

The informant is currently unemployed and temporarily residing with his mother, Mrs. CARRIE DENNIS, Route 4, Box 125, Forest, Miss.

III. MEMBERSHIP:

The informant, prior to his outstanding testimony in the MIBURN was Province Titan of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKKOM). In addition, the informant holds membership in the John Berch Society in Lauderdale County and as such continues to be utilized by the Bureau to cause discord and distrust within Klan ranks in the Meridian, Miss. area.

IV. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED:

The informant, after his testimony, has severely disrupted the ranks of Klandom in east central Mississippi.

He continues to accumulate information regarding the Klan, both the WKKKKOM and the United Klans of America, Inc., (UKA), in the Meridian, Mississippi area through the adverse acts and information directed at him since his surfacing.

On 10/10/67, SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard, WKKKKOM, advised local Klansman, [], that he was confident that the informant was the only one in the Meridian area who could keep the WKKKKOM organization in tact.

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The informant was contacted by [] on 10/10/67 and offered the chairmanship of the White Citizens

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Council, Lauderdale County.

[] On 10/10/67 informant related that []
[] was no longer [] the White Citizens
Council (WCC) of Lauderdale County, Miss.

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On 10/7/67, the informant furnished information concerning Klan activity in political circles in Lauderdale County, Miss.

On 9/5/67 the informant furnished information concerning a list of prospective jurors.

On 9/6/67, the informant furnished information concerning a political rally held in downtown Meridian and the list of Klansmen present.

On 9/9/67, the informant related that []
[] a former Klansman in the WKKKKOM organization was
recently [] []

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On 9/18/67, the informant furnished information concerning bombings in Mississippi and miscellaneous information concerning Klan activities on the part of individuals in east central Mississippi.

On 11/8/67, the informant furnished numerous background information concerning the MIBURN case.

On 11/23/67, the informant furnished information concerning bombings in Jackson, Miss. and harassment perpetrated by the Klan and directed against individuals who participated in behalf of the Government in the recent MIBURN case held in Meridian, Miss.

V. AMOUNT PAID FOR SERVICES AND EXPENSES:

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<u>DATE OF PAYMENT</u>	<u>REPAYMENT OF LOAN</u>	<u>SERVICES</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>
9/30/67	\$50	\$ 99	\$ 97
10/6/67	50	98	100
10/17/67	50	100	99
10/19/67	50	94	97
10/25/67	50	99	97
11/4/67	50	100	98
11/8/67	42	96	88
11/17/67		76	72
11/21/67		80	62
12/5/67		66	83
12/8/67		61	83
12/13/67		44	99
12/20/67		60	84
12/27/67		56	91
1/4/68		47	96
1/15/68		48	98

VI. NUMBER OF ACTIVITIES AND PERSONS ON WHOM COVERAGE IS PROVIDED:

The informant, since his surfacing and testimony in behalf of the Government, has and will continue to furnish //

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background information regarding miscellaneous individuals with Klan interest in the six-county area of east central Mississippi. In addition he can furnish excellent background information on any Klan group in the entire State of Miss. because of his past activities in behalf of the Bureau. //

VII. NUMBER OF WRITTEN AND ORAL REPORTS:

(16) Since September 25, 1967, the informant has submitted no less than 10 written reports and he continues to be in daily contact by telephone, with the handling Agent.

VIII. STEPS TAKEN TO ADVANCE INFORMANT:

The informant has advanced within the ranks of the WKKKKOM from a position of Rank and File member to Klavern Klude to Province Titan. At the time that he occupied the position of Province Titan in a six-county area of east central Mississippi, he was effectively utilized as a Government witness in the Government's successful prosecution of Klan leaders in the recent MIBURN case.

IX. STABILITY AND RELIABILITY:

95% At no time has the informant exhibited any indication of emotional instability, unreliability or untrustworthiness. There has been no indication that this informant has knowingly furnished any false information. All data furnished by him has been corroborated through other sources. As of this date approximately 95% of the information furnished by the informant, has been verified and subsequently has been able to verify various information supplied by other informants throughout the State of Mississippi.

X. INDOCTRINATION AGAINST DISCLOSURE:

Informant continues to be instructed and cautioned concerning his relationship with the FBI and that he should not,

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under any circumstances, indicate that he is associated in any way with any member of the FBI. In addition, the source is continually reminded not to participate in any acts of violence or to issue or condone orders to any of his followers to commit such acts. Informant has also been instructed to immediately advise the handling Agent of any plans on the part of the Klan to commit such acts of violence.

XI. ACTION TAKEN ON INFORMATION FURNISHED:

A review of the informant's file indicates that all necessary action has been taken on information furnished by him. New cases have been, and will continue to be, opened on individuals noted by the informant as being Klan officers and those individuals possessing a propensity towards violence.

XII. MISCELLANEOUS:

During all contacts, the informant continues to be reminded by the handling Agent that any financial payments he receives, should be considered by him as income and reported accordingly to the Internal Revenue Service. In addition, during the past year, the informant has completed making weekly payments of \$50 on a total tax delinquency of \$892.00.

It is felt that because of the continuing risks experienced by the informant, and his willingness to do so, and the value of the information and his eagerness to testify in both the MIBURN and DABURN matters, it is recommended that he be continued as a racial informant and contact maintained with him.

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM :

SUBJECT: DELMAR DENNIS
RACIAL INFORMANT

1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
1 - Mr. J. P. Mohr
1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: January 26, 1968

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SAC, Jackson, recommends a payment of \$8200 to Delmar Dennis, a valuable Klan informant who is currently key witness in Bureau cases. The purpose of this payment is to relocate him in a new area to protect him from Klan reprisals because of testimony in a recent case. However, we believe that a payment of only \$4600 would be sufficient.

You will recall that Delmar Dennis, a 27 year-old preacher, has been a top-level Klan informant of the Jackson Division for three years. He recently testified in the Miburn trial (case involved the kidnap and murder of three civil rights workers at Philadelphia, Mississippi), wherein he exposed the Klan and according to public sources, he was the government's most impressive witness.

However, since testifying Dennis has suffered economic and social reprisals in Meridian, Mississippi, where he resides. He has been unsuccessful in attempts to secure employment and is unemployed. He has been verbally assaulted on the streets of Meridian by persons who consider him to be a "Judas" by virtue of his testimony against Klan members. Unidentified "nightriders" fired shots into his residence. He is isolated by his friends, church, and the community in general.

Previously, Dennis expressed a desire not to relocate but to remain in the community and meet head-on the informant stigma acquired by him. However, with the continued harrassment coupled with his complete isolation in the community, Dennis is now desirous of relocating in Albuquerque, New Mexico. This area has no Klan activity and he wants to further his education at the University of New Mexico.

SAC, Jackson, submitted a breakdown of expenses, which would be necessary for the relocation of Dennis. These costs, which total \$8200, include \$500 for household

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goods; \$800 child support payments which he owes; \$200 car payment which is outstanding; \$1500 approximate expenses for one year study at the University of New Mexico; \$1000 for an apartment in Albuquerque; \$2600 for child support for one year and \$1600 for food, clothing, and insurance.

However, it is felt that Dennis should not be paid \$800 for the child support payments for which he is in arrears nor his car payment of \$200 which he owes, nor the sum of \$2600 for his child support payments of one year. This would reduce the payment recommended by Jackson to \$4600, which is believed to be justified, and would include \$500 for moving expenses; \$1500 for expenses in connection with one year of study at the University of New Mexico; \$1000 for rent of an apartment in Albuquerque and \$1600 for food, clothing, and insurance. This matter has been coordinated with the General Investigative Division which concurs with this recommendation. This matter was also coordinated with Department Attorney D. Robert Owen who advised that the Department has no objection to the relocation of Dennis or paying him for his expenses.

Jackson Division recommends that this payment be made to Dennis in order for him to sever life-long ties in Mississippi and start life anew in New Mexico.

OBSERVATIONS: Dennis is extremely important to the Bureau. He will be needed to testify in the subsequent retrial of Miburn defendants not presently convicted. The Department will undoubtedly use his testimony in the trial of the Daburn case (which involves the shooting into and burning of the Vernon Dahmer residence in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, January 10, 1966). His personal safety is of primary concern, and is in jeopardy as long as he remains in Meridian, Mississippi, where many Klansmen harbor a personal animosity toward him. We feel that it is to our best interests to have him relocated where he will not be subjected to harrassment by the community or reprisals by the Klan.

RECOMMENDATION: That the attached airtel to Jackson be sent authorizing Jackson to pay Dennis \$4600 toward his expenses in assisting him to relocate in New Mexico.

[Handwritten signatures and initials: JH, R, J, C, W, WCS, JH, and others]

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

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FROM : SAC, JACKSON

SUBJECT: DELMAR DENNIS
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Re Bureau airtel to Jackson 1/29/68.

Information copy being furnished to Albuquerque Division in view of re-location of informant within their Division.

Referenced Bureau airtel granted authority to pay DENNIS the following expenses for re-locating and starting life anew in another area:

\$ 500	Moving expenses
1500	Education expenses
1000	Housing at new location
1600	Food, clothing, and insurance

On 2/28/68 - 2/29/68 DENNIS submitted itemized lists for the above expenses which are presently retained on file in Jackson.

DENNIS was initially paid \$500 for moving expenses on 2/29/68 after submitting appropriate itemized account involving move.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan



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On 3/6/68 DENNIS was paid the final amount of \$4,100 for education, housing, food, clothing, and insurance expenses. Detailed itemized lists were again obtained for the expenditure. It should be noted that at the time of the final payment the handling Agent obtained a cashiers check in the amount of \$476.83 made payable to the Internal Revenue Service for DENNIS' 1967 income tax return. The tax return and the payment were submitted to the Jackson Office of the Internal Revenue Service. DENNIS was paid the remainder, \$3,623.92 in cash.

DENNIS advised that he planned to depart Meridian area 3/7/68 and that he will be temporarily located at [REDACTED] in care
of [REDACTED]

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Date: 3/1/68

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Via AIRTEL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (72-15) (P)

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REVEREND DELMAR DENNIS - VICTIM

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Re Bureau airtel to Jackson 2/20/68.

On 2/28/68 WILLIAM E. READY, Meridian, Miss. attorney representing DENNIS in instant matter, advised that he felt that he could file in local JP court a demurrer and/or a motion to quash local charges against DENNIS and have either or both sustained resulting in a dismissal of charges.

READY based demurrer on current Miss. Case Laws which reads that the indictment, warrant or affidavit must include all the words of Section 2013, Miss. Code, that is, specifically, pointing out that the individual charged with the crime assault and battery - by pointing on claiming a gun did not do so in self-defense or in performance of an official duty. The warrant issued against

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DENNIS omitted these stipulations and according to READY renders the warrant invalid and subject to be amended.

READY felt assured that local JP BRIGGS MC ARTHUR District 1, would rule in favor of DENNIS and dismiss charges.

On 2/29/68 READY represented DENNIS in JP of MC ARTHUR and entered a demurrer as described above and MC ARTHUR sustained and dismissed charges against DENNIS.

Bureau will be kept advised of any further pertinent developed in this matter and report follows. ||

February 20, 1968

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To: SAC, Jackson (72-15)

From: Director, FBI [REDACTED]

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REV. DELMAR DENNIS - VICTIM
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The Department has advised they have no objection to furnishing attorney, William E. Ready of Meridian, Mississippi, all data pertinent to the defense of Delmar Dennis in connection with local charges against Dennis at Meridian. You may orally advise Ready of any information developed during the course of your investigation including pertinent information obtained from informants. The identity of the informants should, of course, be fully protected. In your next report or LHM submitted in this matter, include a statement that this information has been furnished to Ready.

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NOTE:

Rev. Delmar Dennis was a key Government witness in the case involving the murder of three civil rights workers near Philadelphia, Mississippi, in June, 1964. Subsequent to his testimony, he has been a subject of various acts of harassment. On 1/4/68, while in Meridian, Dennis was verbally abused by subject [] and later that day [] and subject [] tailed Dennis in their automobile. Dennis fearing for his personal safety, got out of his car and displayed a shotgun to them. They subsequently filed an affidavit at a Meridian JP charging Dennis with pointing and aiming a weapon. Dennis secured the services of a local attorney, surrendered himself and was released on \$150 bond. No trial date has been set. We conducted an investigation to determine if the facts came within the purview of the Obstruction of Justice Statute (OOJ). Results of our investigation were furnished to the Department. The Department at this time has not reached a decision as to whether or not they will go forward with prosecution under the OOJ and still have the matter under consideration. The Jackson Office has requested authority to furnish data pertinent to Dennis' defense in the local court to his attorney. On 2/16/68, Mr. Gene Livingston, CRD, advised that the Department has no objection to furnishing Dennis' attorney with all data pertinent to the defense as developed during the course of our investigation. The conversation with Mr. Livingston will be confirmed in writing.

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Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (72-15)

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REV. DELMAR DENNIS - VICTIM

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DELMAR DENNIS
RACIAL INFORMANT
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Re Jackson airtel dated 2/10/68.

Daily contact with DENNIS indicates that he is extremely anxious to effect relocation move to Albuquerque, New Mexico, as soon as possible. DENNIS explains that the longer he delays moving, the greater possibility of Klan inspired "incidents" in the Meridian, Mississippi, area.

DENNIS related on February 12, 1968, that his attorney, WILLIAM E. READY, Meridian, advised that no trial date has been set regarding the OOJ matter and although DENNIS is discouraged in this respect, he is agreeable to remaining until pending trial in J. P. Court is fully resolved. However, DENNIS is very desirous and anxious to resolve local J. P. matter in order to move from local environment, expeditiously effect relocation, and begin building a new life.

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The Bureau is requested to ascertain from the department a decision as to whether data pertinent and beneficial to the defense of DENNIS should be made available to his attorney for use in trial in J. P. Court in OOJ matter. In this connection it is pointed out that a full briefing of DENNIS's counsel would be beneficial in cross examination of prosecution witnesses and especially if a permanent recording is made of this data.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]
FROM : SAC, JACKSON [REDACTED] (P*)
SUBJECT: DELMAR DENNIS
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An information copy being furnished to the Albuquerque Division in view of the relocation of DENNIS within their division.

On 3/6/68, DENNIS was furnished the final payment authorized by the Bureau. At the time of the final settlement it was explained to DENNIS that this payment by the Bureau constituted a full and complete discharge of financial obligations for his determined dedicated and hazardous work in behalf of the Bureau over the past three and one-half years.

However, at the time it was pointed out to DENNIS that he still maintains importance in the MIBURN case, should those individuals not yet convicted be again brought to trial. Then too, his importance to the Government case in the DABURN matter was also brought to his attention. DENNIS advised that he was aware of his witness potential in both cases and stated he would be agreeable to journeying back to Mississippi to testify in behalf of the Government should it be deemed necessary. B

DENNIS also related that he continues to compile information for his anticipated book exposing Klan activity in Mississippi and continues to remain agreeable to submitting the complete manuscript for scrutiny by the Bureau. In this respect, he advised that when the manuscript is completed he would mail a copy to the handling Agent at Jackson, Miss. The original draft would then be appropriately forwarded to the Bureau for review and returned to DENNIS.

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In view of the above information and contingencies, Jackson will place this case in the pending inactive file and the Bureau and Albuquerque Division will be promptly advised of any pertinent developments in this matter.

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1 - Mr. J. G. Deegan

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Dear [redacted]

I received your letter of April 3, 1968, wherein you made inquiry concerning Delmar Dennis.

In response to your inquiry, Delmar Dennis furnished information concerning the Klan to the Federal Bureau of Investigation on a confidential basis from November, 1964, through March, 1968.

Although he was not an employee of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, he was compensated for his services.

In keeping with my long-standing policy, I cannot comment further concerning your inquiry.

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Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

Route through General Investigative Division for approval.

NOTE:

Delmar Dennis was an informant for the Bureau from November, 1964, through March, 1968, and has been utilized as a Government witness in the MIBURN trial (killing of three civil rights workers in Mississippi). There are other trials expected in this matter and he may be used as a witness in the future. Bufiles contain no identifiable information concerning [redacted] [redacted] advised that Dennis was speaking publicly about communism and the Klan. He also [redacted]

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stated that Dennis publicized himself as a minister but that he was only licensed to preach for a short time. In addition, he advised Dennis is describing himself as the "former FBI Undercover Operative." He requested a reply as to the veracity of Dennis' claims as related to the Bureau.



April 3, 1968

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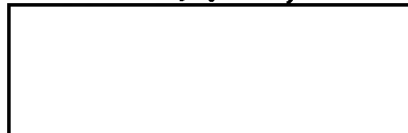
Dear Sirs:

I wish to request information about Rev. Delmar Dennis of Meridan, Mississippi. This man is speaking publicly about Communism and the Ku Klux Klan. My primary concern is that he is publicised as a Methodist minister and he is not. Years ago he was licensed to preach but only for a short time. If he would misuse a Christian denomination in such a way, I wonder if he is dependable about anything, and if he is not doing a disservice to the cause he seeks to promote.

Delmar Dennis says he is a "former F.B.I. Undercover Operative" who "infiltrated the Klan at the specific request of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in order to collect first-hand information for Chief J. Edgar Hoover's G-Men".

I would appreciate a reply as to the veracity of this man's claims as related to your agency.

Sincerely yours,



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To: SACs, Albuquerque
Jackson [redacted]

From: Director, FBI [redacted]

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The Bureau is in agreement with your recommendations in referenced letter.

In your interview with captioned individual, stress the point that he should not discuss the DABURN or MIBURN cases or any pending cases either in public pronouncements or in written form.

Jackson should submit a letterhead memorandum in form suitable for dissemination to the Department of Justice containing pertinent portions of referenced letter as well as the results of the interview with captioned individual.

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- 1 - 44-38039 (MIBURN)

NOTE:

Jackson letter advised that we are in receipt of information that captioned individual, a former informant who was a key Government witness in the DABURN and MIBURN cases, is making public speeches under the auspices of the John Birch Society. Referenced letter also stated that captioned

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individual indicated that he was under the impression that he did not have to pay certain Federal income taxes on money received from the Bureau. Jackson recommended that captioned individual be interviewed and advised again that he must pay taxes to the Government and that he should not discuss pending cases. It is noted that a memorandum will be prepared bringing the above information to the attention of the Director.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]

DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : SAC, JACKSON [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: FORMER [REDACTED]

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SA [REDACTED] is in receipt of a letter from captioned individual dated 4/18/68 postmarked Santa Fe, N.M., 4/19/68 (return address P. O. Box 202, Santa Fe, N.M. 87501). In his letter former informant encloses a copy of a "throwaway" prepared by TACT (John Birch organization) captioned "The Ku Klux Klan." It bears a photograph of Rev. DELMAR DENNIS holding his Bible and his robe with the caption "I was in the Ku Klux Klan for the FBI." The substance of the "throwaway" is announcing an expose by Mr. DENNIS covering the following subject matters:

1. Has the Ku Klux Klan been revived to stir up hatred and violence in order to pit white American against black American?
2. What is behind the KKK execution of the three Civil Rights Workers in Meridian, Mississippi?
3. What do the Communists have to gain by having Sam Bowers as Imperial Wizard of the White Knights of the Klan?
4. How does the K.K.K. benefit by falsely presenting a Christian and Anti-Communist facade?
5. What is the significance of the burning cross?
6. How do the terrorist tactics of the Ku Klux Klan and the Civil Rights movement mutually benefit each other?

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Informant indicates he has committed himself to a series of talks for the John Birch Society.

In addition, he enclosed a notice from the U. S. Treasury Department, Internal Revenue Service, advising him that after his returns had been adjusted he is in arrears \$247.76 in his income tax. DENNIS indicated in his correspondence with SA [] that he was under the impression income from the Bureau was tax free. This is not true in that we very carefully, not once but several times, explained to Mr. DENNIS the necessity for keeping accurate records and saving a portion of his payments for income tax purposes; in fact, we prepared tax returns for him for the past four years. He is well aware because he had to supply the information contained therein.

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One other point was discussed by him and that is the current status of the book he has written. We have always advised Mr. DENNIS that should he carry out his desire to write a book we certainly wanted to see it, however, recommended against it. Nevertheless, he indicates he is going to confer with a publisher in the very near future. The raw transcript of the work accomplished before he left Jackson was reviewed by the agent handling him and it is obviously amateurish. It is rather doubtful that there would be a market for this book unless it is completely rewritten by a professional. Nothing of a derogatory nature concerning the Bureau was contained therein, to the contrary, the book is favorable toward the Bureau. Of course, any publisher may rearrange or revise its contents.

It is the recommendation of the Jackson Office (UACB) that a mature agent of the Albuquerque Office call upon Mr. DENNIS and return his tax notice from the Internal Revenue Service advising him that with the payment of the \$5,000 made to him before he left Mississippi that we had, as indicated at that time, discharged our obligation for his services and that this bill is his. (2) That he be informed that he should refrain from any comments concerning the case involving the three civil rights workers in Meridian, Miss. in that this case is on appeal and it may be necessary for him again to testify in this matter.

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(3) We advised against publication of any book until the Neshoba case was definitely settled. However, if he is going to pay no attention to our recommendation and give his transcript to a publisher, then he should be instructed to delete therefrom any reference to a pending case.

(4) That the Bureau discuss this matter with the Department so they will be fully apprised of Mr. DENNIS' plans.

Jackson Office has been very fair and aboveboard with this informant, however, it appears his main weakness is his desire for money and his aversion to work.

Enclosed herewith for Albuquerque is IRS Center envelope and bill dated 4/12/68 for the amount \$247.76, a copy of DENNIS' letter and copy of the "throwaway."

Enclosed for the Bureau is the "throwaway" referred to in this communication and DENNIS' letter.

Hear **REV. DELMAR DENNIS**
Former F.B.I. Undercover Operative
Expose
THE KU KLUX KLAN
"I WAS IN THE K.K.K. FOR THE F.B.I."



A man of rare courage and conviction, Reverend Delmar Dennis risks his life to bring you the true story of the Ku Klux Klan, an organization that vows to kill those who divulge its secrets.

The twenty-seven-year-old Methodist Minister from Meridian, Mississippi infiltrated the Klan at the specific request of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in order to collect first-hand information for Chief J. Edgar Hoover's G-Men. In the recent trial involving the deaths of three "civil rights" workers in Mississippi, Reverend Dennis' testimony was instrumental in seven convictions for conspiracy to commit murder.

Reverend Dennis contends that the real significance behind the role of the Ku Klux Klan in America has not yet been revealed. He says, "There is still an important story that needs to be told. The Ku Klux Klan has become an important tool of Communist agitators who want to bring a race war to America. I know this from personal experience."

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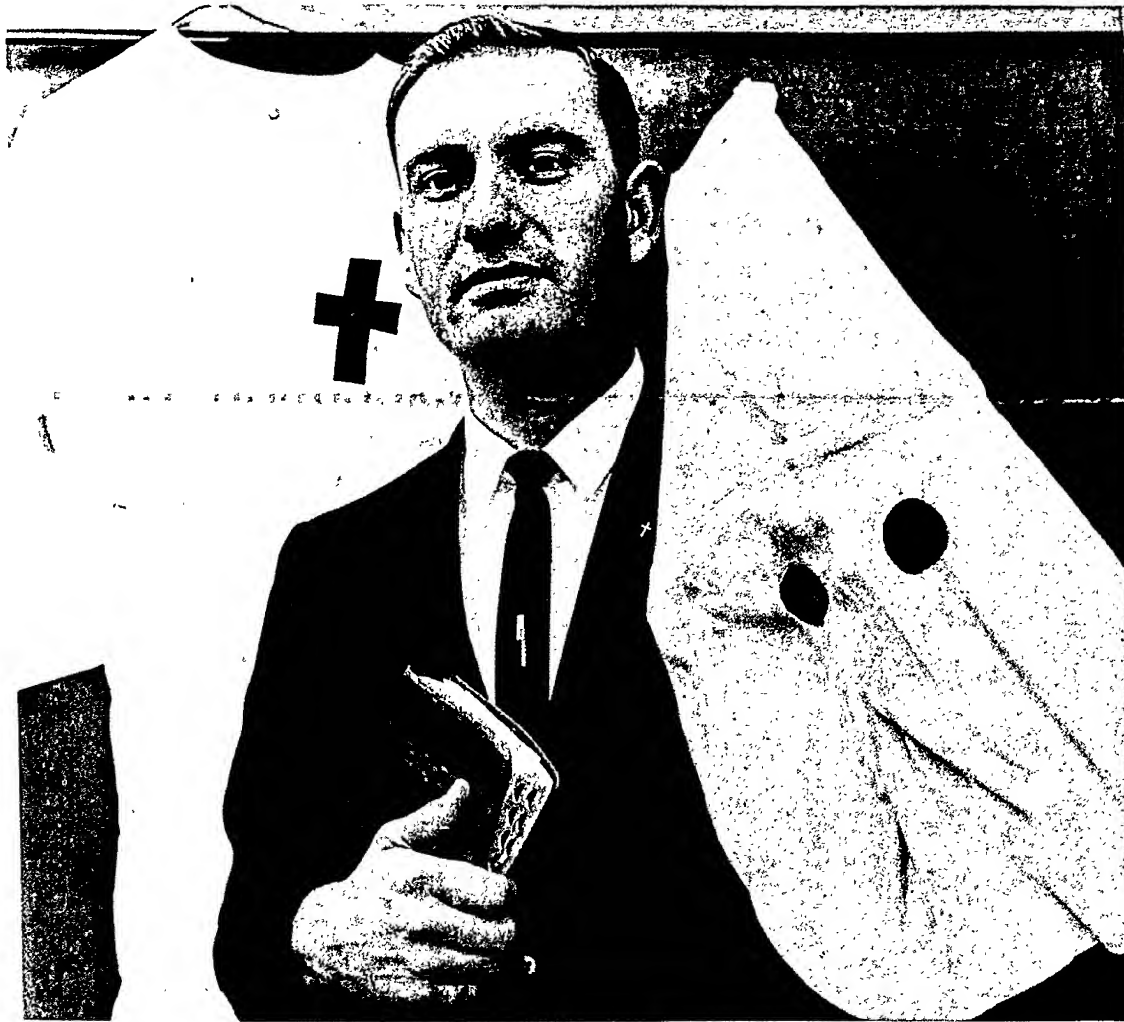
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THE REVEREND DELMAR DENNIS, EMERGING FROM THE SECRET ROBE TO REVEAL HIS ROLE AS AN UNDERCOVER OPERATIVE FOR THE FBI, ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS AND MANY MORE. REVEREND DENNIS SAYS, "I AM GOING TO TELL IT."

*Rev. Dennis will discuss this lengthy oath which requires full and total allegiance to Klan law, officers and members and requires the member to

TRUTH ABOUT CIVIL TURMOIL

.K.K. FOR THE F.B.I.



AMONG THE WITNESSES—The Rev. Delmar Dennis, one of two klan members who testified as FBI informants at Meridan, Miss., conspiracy trial, displays his klan hood and robe. Dennis

testified that the "elimination" of a civil rights worker, one of three later slain, was discussed at a klan meeting.

WHITE KNIGHTS OF THE K.K.K. SHEDS HIS KLAN HOOD AND THE F.B.I. HE WILL DEFY THE "BLOOD OATH"* OF THE KLAN TO HIS PROCLAIMS, "THE AMERICAN PEOPLE SHOULD KNOW THE

myself to this oath unto my grave."

TACT Committees are organized in your community by concerned local citizens for the sole purpose of helping their neighbors understand the forces that are using our youth, our desire for peace, freedom of speech, and so-called civil rights, to pit one segment of our society against the other, in an organized effort to create civil turmoil leading to riots, destruction and lawlessness. We ask all individuals to join with us and, through education and understanding, help expose these forces that are turning American against American.

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REPLY TO:

- I AGREE WITH THE TACT POSITION ON CIVIL TURMOIL AND
WISH TO SUPPORT THE LOCAL COMMITTEE AS FOLLOWS:
- ☐ CONTINUE TO SEND ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE 1968 LECTURE PROGRAM
 - ☐ PLEASE SEND AN APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP FOR MY LOCAL COMMITTEE
 - ☐ MY NAME CAN BE USED AS A SPONSOR OF THE LOCAL COMMITTEE
 - ☐ KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK—ENCLOSED IS \$ _____ IN SUPPORT OF THE PROGRAM

April 18, 1968

DELMAR DENNIS
P. O. BOX 185
MERIDIAN, MISS. 39301

Dear Sam,

I mailed your letter and the income tax statement.
I am returning the statement because I realized that
the income from the Bureau was too far. I couldn't
pay it because I have no money whatever and
no income.

I do plan to go to the Congress for the J. L. Brown
So I hope it is for the Congress, which is about
the time of my going, when I had the book.

The agent I was to be forced to say, "You have got the
book." I was to say, "I would like to have the
book, but I can't get it." I was to say, "I want from the
Bureau to keep the book and not return it to me any
longer. As you know, I left home because of great
distress which I had to create. I have no where
left to take the book and not have the book."

I am sure you will understand my situation.

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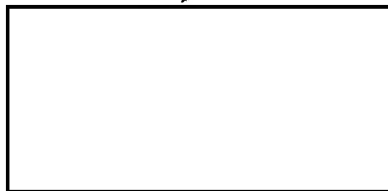
Sincerely,

Delmar

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ENCLOSURE

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: May 2, 1968

FROM :

SUBJECT: DELMAR DENNIS
(FORMER RACIAL INFORMANT)

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PURPOSE:

To advise that captioned individual, a former Klan informant, is making speeches for the John Birch Society concerning his experiences as a Bureau informant. Captioned individual was a key Government witness in the case involving the murders of three civil rights workers in Mississippi in 1964, and he is a possible witness in the case involving a burning and shooting in Mississippi in 1966.

BACKGROUND:

The Jackson Division advises that they were in receipt of a letter from captioned individual in which he indicates that he is undertaking a series of lectures for the John Birch Society. These talks will center around Dennis' experiences as an FBI informant in the Ku Klux Klan. Dennis also stated he was going to confer with his publisher concerning the publication of a book written by him describing his experiences as an informant in the Ku Klux Klan. The raw transcript of this book was previously reviewed by an Agent of the Jackson Office. Nothing of a derogatory nature concerning the Bureau was contained in the book, on the contrary, the book was favorable toward the Bureau.

Dennis also enclosed in his letter to the Jackson Office a notice from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), advising him that after his returns had been adjusted he is in arrears \$247.76 in his Federal income tax. Dennis indicated

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- 1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. A. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
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- 1 - Mr. J. G. Deegan
- 1 - [redacted]

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RE: DELMAR DENNIS

in his correspondence that he was under the impression income from the Bureau was tax free. In this regard it is noted that it was explained to Dennis on several occasions the necessity for keeping accurate records and saving a portion of his payments for income tax purposes. Moreover, the Jackson Office counseled Dennis concerning the preparation of his tax returns for the past four years, and insisted he pay his taxes.

The Albuquerque Office, in which division captioned individual now resides, is going to interview captioned individual and return to him his tax notice from IRS and instruct him to pay his tax bill. Dennis will also be instructed to refrain from making any public comments or publish any material relating to the three civil rights workers who were slain in Mississippi, since that case is on appeal and it may be necessary for him to testify again in this matter. He will also be instructed to refrain from commenting on all pending cases. The results of this interview with Dennis, along with the pertinent information contained in this memorandum, will be furnished to the Department of Justice.

OBSERVATION:

The Bureau has been very fair and aboveboard with this informant, however, it appears that his main weakness is his desire for money and his aversion to work. Since he is no longer receiving money from the Bureau, it appears Dennis is now attempting to capitalize on his former relationship with the Bureau for money.

This matter has been coordinated with the General Investigative Division concerning the substantive cases involved.

ACTION:

For your information. There is attached for approval a proposed airtel to SACs, Albuquerque, and Jackson, containing appropriate instructions.

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DELMAR DENNIS

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Delmar Dennis was a key government witness in the case involving the murders of three civil rights workers in Mississippi in 1964. He is a possible witness in the case involving a bombing and shooting in Mississippi in 1966.

Dennis furnished information concerning the activities of the Ku Klux Klan (KKK) to the Federal Bureau Investigation (FBI) on a confidential basis from November, 1964, through March, 1968.

Although he was not an employee of the FBI, Dennis was compensated for his services. The Jackson Division of the FBI, on April 23, 1968, was in receipt of a letter from captioned individual in which he indicated he was undertaking a series of lectures for the John Birch Society. He indicated these talks will center around his experiences in the KKK. He also stated he was going to confer with a publisher concerning the publication of a book written by him describing his experiences in the KKK. Dennis also enclosed in his letter a notice from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) advising him that after his returns had been adjusted, he was in arrears \$247.76 in his federal income tax. Dennis indicated in his correspondence that he was under the impression that the income he had received from the Government was tax free. In this regard, it is noted that Dennis was previously instructed on several occasions that he must pay taxes on income he received from the Government.

On May 25, 1968, Dennis was contacted by representatives of the FBI at which time he was informed that in his public appearances on behalf of the John Birch Society, he should refrain from any comments concerning the slaying of the three civil rights workers in Neshoba County, Mississippi, and of the fire bomb death of Vernon Dahmer, both pending cases currently under investigation by the Federal Government in which Dennis is still regarded a potential witness. He was urged not to seek publication of his book until the case involving the slaying of the three civil rights workers was definitely settled in Federal

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Court; however, should he persist, he was informed to delete any reference to the above-mentioned cases. At that time Dennis stated he has made no disclosures of information which has not appeared in the news media. He further stated that he has not discussed cases involving the deaths of three civil rights workers or the fire bomb death of Vernon Dahmer except to the extent of the public information made available by newspapers.

Dennis was told that the statement of arrears from the Internal Revenue Service was strictly a personal debt on his part which he must pay. Dennis stated that he would contact the Internal Revenue Service at Meridian, Mississippi, in order to resolve this matter.

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NOTE:

Captioned individual is a former Klan informant of the Bureau, who was a key government witness in a civil rights case and is a possible witness in another civil rights case currently under consideration by the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice. For that reason, the above is being furnished to the Department. This matter has been coordinated with General Investigative Division.

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Date: 6/28/68

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI [redacted]

FROM: SAC, JACKSON [redacted] (P*)

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2/2/98Re Bureau airtel to Jackson, 5/7/68, and
Albuquerque airtel to Jackson, 5/6/68, and 5/29/68.Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight
(8) copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination.One copy of attached LHM is being dissemi-
nated to the USA, Jackson, Mississippi, for information
purposes.Albuquerque is being furnished one copy of
the attached LHM in view of their interest in instant
matter.

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Approved: [Signature] Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Jackson, Mississippi

June 28, 1968

DELMAR DENNIS

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On April 23, 1968, a representative of the FBI was in receipt of a letter from Delmar Dennis dated April 18, 1968, postmarked April 19, 1968, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, and reflecting an address for return as Post Office Box 202, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87501. The letter contained a copy of a "throwaway" prepared by Truth About Civil Turmoil (TACT), a John Birch sponsored society and was captioned "The Ku Klux Klan". The "throwaway" reflects a photograph of Reverend Delmar Dennis holding a Bible in a Klan robe, with the caption "I Was in the Ku Klux Klan for the FBI". The "throwaway" announced an expose of the Klan by Dennis, covering the following subject matters:

- 1) Has the KKK been revised to stir up hatred and violence in order to pit white America against Black America?
- 2) What is behind the KKK execution of the three civil rights workers in Meridian, Mississippi?
- 3) What do the Communists have to gain by having Sam Bowers as Imperial Wizard of the White Knights of the Klan?
- 4) How does the KKK benefit by falsely being a Christian and anti-Communist facade?

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- 5) What is the significance of the burning cross?
- 6) How do the terrorist tactics of the Ku Klux Klan and the civil rights movement mutually benefit each other?

Dennis indicates in the letter that he has committed himself to a series of talks in behalf of the John Birch Society.

In addition, Dennis included a notice from the U. S. Treasury Department, Internal Revenue Service, which advised that after his personal tax returns had been adjusted, he was in arrears \$247.76, in his income tax. Dennis indicated in his letter that he was under the impression that income received from the FBI was tax free. This impression by Dennis is wholly untrue and erroneous in that representatives of the FBI very carefully, and on several occasions, explained to him the necessity for keeping accurate records, and saving a portion of his remuneration for income tax purposes; in fact, representatives of the FBI counseled him in the preparation of his income tax records for the past four years. Dennis is well aware of the tax deficit because he had to furnish pertinent information contained in his amended tax statement.

One other point was discussed by Dennis in his letter and that was the current status of the book he has written. Representatives of the FBI have always attempted to discourage Dennis from any literary endeavours, but Dennis persisted, and has compiled a raw transcript of his experiences within the Klan, while operating as an informant for the FBI. The raw transcript was presented to representatives of the FBI, and it was obviously an amateurish effort however, Dennis indicated he was going to confer with a publisher (unnamed) in the very near future and attempt to have the book published.

DELMAR DENNIS

Dennis was contacted by representatives of the FBI on May 25, 1968, at Santa Fe, New Mexico. At the time, the Internal Revenue Service statement of arrears and the refund check in the amount of \$54.40 (#6,417,553) made payable to Delmar Dennis and Joyce Dennis, were delivered to Dennis. It was explained to Dennis that those payments received by him in Mississippi, prior to his departure for Santa Fe, New Mexico, and which he indicated would be necessary for starting life anew, fully discharged FBI obligations for services rendered. Further, that the statement of arrears from the Internal Revenue Service was strictly a personal debt on his part. Dennis was again informed that in his appearances sponsored by TACT, he should refrain from any comments concerning the slaying of the three civil rights workers in Neshoba County, and the firebomb death of Vernon Dahmer, both pending cases currently under investigation by the Federal Government, and in which Dennis is still regarded as a potential witness. Dennis was then urged by a representative of the FBI not to seek publication of his anticipated book until the case involving the slaying of the three civil rights workers was definitely settled in the Federal courts; however, should he persist, he was informed to delete any reference to the above-mentioned cases. Dennis advised he is making a series of speeches as a representative of ADHOC Committee of the John Birch Society of San Merino, California. Dennis stated he has made no disclosures of information which has not appeared in the news media. Further, that he has not discussed the cases involving the deaths of the three civil rights workers and the fire bomb death of Vernon Dahmer except to the extent of the public information made available by newspapers.

DELMAR DENNIS

Dennis acknowledged the assistance of the FBI in the preparation of his income tax returns for the four years, 1964-1967, but related that he was puzzled as to why he would receive a bill, as well as a return, for income taxes at the same time [redacted] [redacted]

Dennis made no comment to the representative of the FBI on the book he has prepared for publication. However, he related he would marry [redacted] in Santa Fe, New Mexico, on May 26, 1968, and will return to Mississippi. While in Mississippi, Dennis stated he would contact the Internal Revenue Service at Meridian, Mississippi.

On June 2, 1968, a representative of the FBI was in receipt of a letter postmarked Forest, Mississippi, June 1, 1968, and Dennis acknowledged that he was contacted by a representative of the FBI in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Dennis stated "He told me to be careful what I say on the speaking tours". Dennis advised, "I assured him I would say nothing that wasn't public information already". Dennis then related, "I have not signed a contract on the book yet, but have two interested publishers". Dennis then concluded by stating, "I will publish only the truth, and I hope this does not cause any embarrassment to the FBI. I am, as you must know, for the Bureau, and respect all of you very much".

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Speaker Sees City Strife As Red-Led

A former member of the Ku Klux Klan said Thursday violence in American cities is a coordinated effort on the part of a few to initiate civil turmoil designed to end in an all-out race war.

The Rev. Delmar Dennis, who is speaking in several Utah schools under the sponsorship of the Truth About Civil Turmoil Committee, said literature is being distributed to ghetto and lower-income and educational-level citizens telling them how to riot.

"I've seen pamphlets that tell you how to make a gasoline cocktail, where to place a sniper who can hold 40 people at bay, and how to bomb or set fire to a building," he said.

Worked For FBI

The Rev. Mr. Dennis worked from October, 1964, to October, 1967, for the FBI as a member of the Ku Klux Klan. His job was to investigate the deaths of three civil rights workers slain near Meridian, Miss., in June, 1964.

"The riots are not spontaneous. Negroes are urged by Communist - oriented groups to riot, to organize and to burn," said the speaker.

The Rev. Mr. Dennis, formerly pastor of the Southern Methodist Church, Meridian, Miss., reported on Klan activities and testified in the trial of eight Klansmen, including Imperial Wizard Sami Bowers.

Negro Progress

"Tremendous progress is being made by the Negro in the South," said the Rev. Mr. Dennis. "And their problems aren't being solved by the whites, either."

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Witness For FBI Sees Growth Of Klan In North

By ROGER PUSEY
Deseret News Staff Writer

The Ku Klux Klan is dying out in the South, but is beginning to grow in large northern cities as a reactionary force to recent racial riots.

This is the belief of Rev. Dennis who was one of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's key witnesses in the conviction of seven men charged with murdering three civil rights workers in Mississippi in 1964.

He said the Klan is almost non-existent in Mississippi since the seven men were convicted and a House committee released a report on the Klan's activities.

Under the sponsorship of Truth About Civil Turmoil, the Rev. Mr. Dennis will speak at 8 p.m. at these locations:

Thursday at Centerville Junior High School; Friday at the Ladies Literary Club, 850 E. 5th Temple; Saturday at Daughters of Utah Pioneers Hall, 1140 W. 7800 South, Midvale, and Monday at Howard

Driggs Elementary School, 4340-27th East.

The visitor, former pastor of First Southern Methodist Church, Meridian, Miss., first joined the KKK in March, 1964, but quit the same month.

"They said it was a Christian group. Acts of violence and killing are not Christian activities," he said.

The three civil rights workers were killed June 21, 1964, but their bodies weren't found until August, buried in an earthen dam in Mississippi.

In October the FBI asked him to help gather evidence so he rejoined the Klan by paying up his back dues.

He helped gather evidence that eventually led to conviction of seven men last October. They are appealing the conviction and free on bond.

The Rev. Mr. Dennis said since he testified in court he has received numerous anonymous telephone calls threatening his life.

Last December someone fired a shot through a bedroom window where he was sleeping, but he wasn't hurt. "I don't think they'll kill me," he said, "because they certainly could have done it that night."

Racial riots and demonstrations are the result of a minority, he said.



Rev. Dennis

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: July 12, 1968

FROM :

SUBJECT: DELMAR DENNIS
(FORMER RACIAL INFORMANT)

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A letter to the Director dated July 8, 1968, was received from Delmar Dennis, a former Klan informant, requesting the Director's views concerning public speeches being made by Dennis exposing the Ku Klux Klan (KKK) and praising the FBI. He also solicits the Director's wishes concerning his plans to publish a book about his experiences as an informant in the KKK.

By memorandum dated May 2, 1968, you were advised that captioned individual was making speeches for the John Birch Society concerning his experiences as a Bureau informant and of the details concerning his proposed publication of the above-mentioned book.

In view of the fact captioned individual was a key Government witness in a case involving the murders of three civil rights workers in Mississippi in 1964, and is a possible witness involving a burning and shooting in Mississippi in 1966, Dennis was interviewed on May 25, 1968, by Special Agents of the FBI. At that time he was warned to refrain from making any comments in public concerning pending cases currently under investigation by the Federal Government in which Dennis is still regarded as a potential witness. He was urged not to seek

Enclosure *see 7-15-68*

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- 1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. A. J. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. T. E. Bishop

1 - [Redacted]
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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: DELMAR DENNIS

publication of his book until the case involving the slaying of the three civil rights workers was definitely settled in federal court; however, should he persist, he was informed to delete any references to the above-mentioned cases. At that time Dennis stated he has made no disclosures of information which has not appeared in the news media. He further stated that he has not discussed pending cases except to the extent of the public information made available by newspapers.

OBSERVATIONS:

Dennis is apparently attempting to capitalize on his former relationship with the Bureau in his public appearances. It is believed that a personal letter from the Director in response to his letter of July 8, 1968, ~~will~~ ^{could} also be used by him to exploit his former relationship with the Bureau for personal gains. It is believed this matter should be handled by having Special Agents personally contact Dennis and acknowledge receipt of his letter and again caution him not to discuss pending cases either in public pronouncements or in written form. If approved, an airtel will be sent to the Albuquerque Office instructing them to interview Dennis in accordance with the above.

ACTION:

For your information and approval of attached airtel to Albuquerque.

Handwritten notes and signatures:
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Date: 7/18/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL REGISTERED, AIR MAIL
(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]
FROM: SAC, ALBUQUERQUE [REDACTED] (C)

DELMAR DENNIS

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Through the Postal Inspector's Office at Albuquerque, New Mexico, it was determined that the subject resides at 1720 Atrisco, N.W., Apartment 15, Albuquerque. Through a source at the telephone company, it was determined that he has an unlisted telephone number, 855-6917.

Personal contact was made with [REDACTED] at the above address [REDACTED] out of town and was not expected to return for two and a half to three weeks. She stated that he was somewhere in California and she had a telephone number in California where she could contact him in case of an emergency. She was requested to [REDACTED] as soon as possible and have him communicate with the Albuquerque Office of the FBI.

On the evening of 7/17/68 DELMAR DENNIS telephonically contacted SA [REDACTED] of the Albuquerque Office from California telephone number 714-375-1411, Ext. 76623. At this time he was advised that the Director desired to acknowledge the receipt of his letter dated 7/8/68. He was again requested not to discuss the DABURN or MIBURN cases or any pending cases either in public pronouncements or written form. He was very receptive to this request and expressed his desire to cooperate in this matter in every way possible.

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Miss Gandy.....

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I especially want to commend the dedication of Special Agents and [redacted]

Thank you for the good work you do for America. I regret that I never got to meet you.

Sincerely,

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COPY MADE FOR MR. TOLSON

August 4, 1968

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

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Mr. Tolson
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Dear Mr. Hoover,

Last night I foolishly went to the meeting advertised on the enclosed flier. I left the meeting with one question in mind; did the F.B.I. actually hire this man as an undercover operative? Friends with whom I went to this meeting (and who aren't Birchers) completely believed everything this man said. After all, they reasoned, he was a member of the F.B.I. and F.B.I. men tell the truth.

Mr. Hoover, when he made statements like "Don't rehabilitate negroes"; "Negroes should be happy with their ghetto homes" and "The United States Government is promoting Communism", I hate to think that this is an example of our F.B.I.

In a question and answer period a man asked if Mr. Dennis had proof of the last statement. He became 'unglued', accused the man of supporting Communism and refused to answer the question.

I hope to have a reply from you as soon as possible.

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Sincerely,

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Hear
REV. DELMAR DENNIS
Former F.B.I. Undercover Operative

Expose

THE KU KLUX KLAN

"I WAS IN THE K.K.K. FOR THE F.B.I."



A man of rare courage and conviction, Reverend Delmar Dennis risks his life to bring you the true story of the Ku Klux Klan, an organization that vows to kill those who divulge its secrets.

The twenty-seven-year old former pastor of The First Southern Methodist Church in Meridian, Mississippi infiltrated the Klan at the specific request of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in order to collect first-hand information for Chief J. Edgar Hoover's G-Men. In the recent trial involving the deaths of three "civil rights" workers in Mississippi, Reverend Dennis' testimony was instrumental in seven convictions for conspiracy to commit murder.

Reverend Dennis contends that the real significance behind the role of the Ku Klux Klan in America has not yet been revealed. He says, "There is still an important story that needs to be told. The Ku Klux Klan has become an important tool of Communist agitators who want to bring a race war to America. I know this from personal experience."

Reverend Dennis' extraordinary story is one you will not want to miss. TACT guarantees to provide you an evening full of revealing information you will never forget. You will also have a chance to meet in person the brave man who has defied death threats to bring you this important information.

LOCALLY SPONSORED BY THE TACT COMMITTEES OF:

Santa Clara Valley

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Hester Elementary School

1460 The Alameda

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1 - Mr. DeLoach
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To: SAC, Albuquerque [redacted]

From: Director, FBI [redacted] SEC 13

DELMAR DENNIS

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Enclosed for Albuquerque are two copies and for Jackson one copy of a letter received from Delmar Dennis to the Director dated 7/8/68.

Albuquerque should promptly recontact Dennis and acknowledge receipt of his letter. Again advise Dennis that he should not discuss the DABURN or MIBURN cases or any pending cases either in public pronouncements or in written form.

Furnish the Bureau with the results of your interview with Dennis and comment upon the attitude he displays during this interview.

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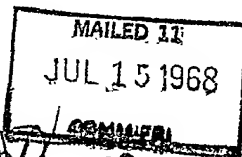
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See memo [redacted] to Mr. W. C. Sullivan dated 7/12/68, captioned as above, prepared by WDN:rmm.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]

DATE: 8/14/68

FROM : SAC, JACKSON [REDACTED] (C)

SUBJECT: DELMAR DENNIS
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Re Albuquerque airtel to Bureau, 7/18/68, and
Jackson airtel to Bureau, 6/28/68.

A review of Jackson file in captioned matter
indicates that DENNIS is permanently residing [REDACTED]
at 1720 Atrisco, N.W., Apt. 15, Albuquerque, New Mexico
(phone 855-6917).

DENNIS continues to participate in speaking tours
sponsored by the Truth About Civil Turmoil (TACT), a John
Birch organization in the western states area of the country.

In view of the fact that Jackson anticipates no
further liaison with captioned individual, Jackson Division
is considering this matter closed.

An information copy of this communication is being
designated for Albuquerque in view of DENNIS' permanent
relocation within their division.

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Dear [Redacted]

I have received your letter of August 4th, with enclosure.

In response to your inquiry, Delmar Dennis furnished information concerning the Klan to the FBI on a confidential basis from November, 1964, through March, 1968. Although he was not an employee of this Bureau, he was compensated for his services. His personal ventures, his opinions and statements are strictly his own and in keeping with my long-standing policy, I cannot comment further concerning him.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Bufiles contain no record of correspondent. Delmar Dennis was an informant for the Bureau from November, 1964, through March, 1968, and has been utilized as a Government witness in the MIBURN trial (killing of three civil rights workers in Mississippi). The enclosure was a flyer concerning Dennis' appearance in San Jose, California, on August 3, 1968.

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November 6, 1968

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Dear

[Redacted]

Mr. Sullivan has shown me your letter to him of November 1st.

In reply to your inquiries, a Special Agent of the FBI is a full-time employee of the United States Government and is charged with the duty of investigating violations of laws of the United States.

With respect to Delmar Dennis, he furnished information concerning the Klan to the FBI on a confidential basis from November, 1964, through March, 1968. Although he was not an employee of this Bureau, he was compensated for his services. His personal ventures, his opinions and statements are strictly his own and in keeping with my long-standing policy, I cannot comment further regarding him.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Bufiles contain no record of correspondent. Delmar Dennis was an informant for the Bureau and has been utilized as a Government witness in the MIBURN trial (killing of three civil rights workers in Mississippi). TACT (Truth About Civil Turmoil) is sponsored by the John Birch Society and has been the subject of numerous inquiries.

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November 1. 1968

Mr. William C. Sullivan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

I have before me a "flyer" advertising a lecture sponsored by the Danville TACT Committee. It Reads in part:

HEAR F.B.I. FORMER UNDERCOVER OPERATIVE
THE REVEREND DELMAR DENNIS
EXPOSE THE SECRET
SUBVERSIVE KU KLUX KLAN
"I WAS IN THE K. K. K. FOR THE F.B.I."

Would you please explain to me the term "Undercover Operative"? In what way, if any; does it differ from the more familiar designation F.B.I. Agent?

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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Dear [Redacted]

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On October 28th I received your letter, with enclosures.

In response to your inquiry, Delmar Dennis furnished information concerning the Klan to the FBI on a confidential basis from November, 1964, through March, 1968. Although he was not an employee of this Bureau, he was compensated for his services. His personal ventures, his opinions and statements are strictly his own and in keeping with my long-standing policy, I cannot comment further concerning him.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Bufiles contain no record of correspondent. Delmar Dennis was an informant for the Bureau from November, 1964, through March, 1968, and has been utilized as a Government witness in the MIBURN trial (Killing of three civil rights workers in Mississippi). The enclosures were fliers concerning Dennis' appearance in Los Angeles, California, on October 20, 1968.

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October 23, 1968

Gentlemen:

The local ~~TACT~~ Committee (Truth About Civil Turmoil) is presenting Rev. Delmar Dennis as speaker at its next meeting on Sunday, October 20, at 8:00 p.m., at Women's University Club Auditorium, 540 South Catalina Street, Los Angeles, California. He is, according to the announcement mailed by TACT, 5168 West Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90004, an undercover agent of the FBI.

Wasn't he actually a murder suspect in a civil-rights case in Mississippi some months ago? If so, did he become an FBI agent before or after he was picked up by the FBI? If after, was it part of a deal whereby he would get off in return for testifying against his colleagues? Is he truly a brave FBI agent or a stool-pigeon murderer? I think all of us on TACT's Los Angeles mailing list have a right to know.

Thank you for any information you can supply.

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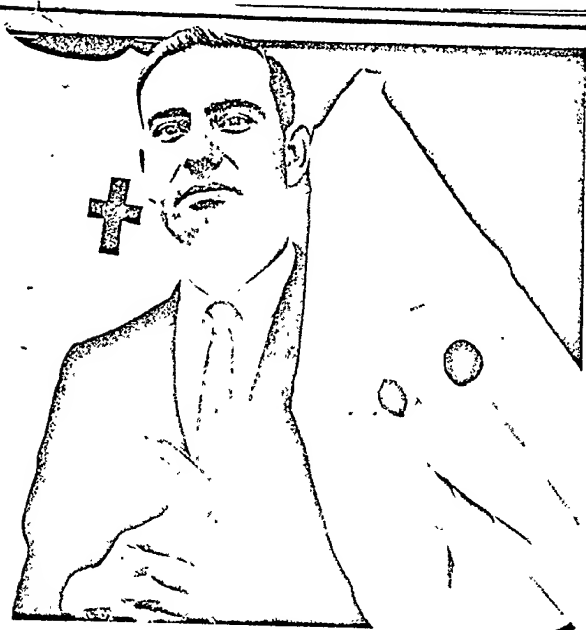
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Hear **REV. DELMAR DENNIS**
Former F.B.I. Undercover Operative

Expose

THE KU KLUX KLAN

"I WAS IN THE K.K.K. FOR THE F.B.I."



A man of rare courage and conviction, Reverend Delmar Dennis risks his life to bring you the true story of the Ku Klux Klan, an organization that vows to kill those who divulge its secrets.

The twenty-seven-year old former pastor of The First Southern Methodist Church in Meridian, Mississippi infiltrated the Klan at the specific request of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in order to collect first-hand information for Chief J. Edgar Hoover's G-Men. In the recent trial involving the deaths of three "civil rights" workers in Mississippi, Reverend Dennis' testimony was instrumental in seven convictions for conspiracy to commit murder.

Reverend Dennis contends that the real significance behind the role of the Ku Klux Klan in America has not yet been revealed. He says, "There is still an important story that needs to be told. The Ku Klux Klan has become an important tool of Communist agitators who want to bring a race war to America. I know this from personal experience."

Reverend Dennis' extraordinary story is one you will not want to miss. TACT guarantees to provide you an evening full of revealing information you will never forget. You will also have a chance to meet in person the brave man who has defied death threats to bring you this important information.

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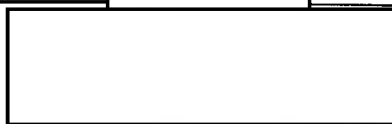
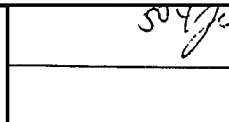
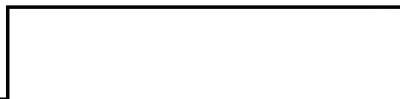
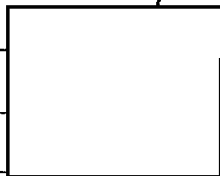
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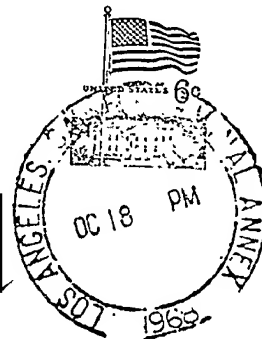
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K.K.K. FOR THE F.B.I.



AMONG THE WITNESSES—The Rev. Delmar Dennis, one of two klan members who testified as FBI informants at Meridan, Miss., conspiracy trial, displays his klan hood and robe. Dennis

testified that the "elimination" of a civil rights worker, one of three later slain, was discussed at a klan meeting.

WHITE KNIGHTS OF THE K.K.K. SHEDS HIS KLAN HOOD AND THE F.B.I. HE WILL DEFY THE "BLOOD OATH"* OF THE KLAN TO HIS PROCLAIMS, "THE AMERICAN PEOPLE SHOULD KNOW THE

myself to this oath unto my grave."

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TACT Committees are organized in your community by concerned local citizens for the sole purpose of helping their neighbors understand the forces that are using our youth, our desire for peace, freedom of speech, and so-called civil rights, to pit one segment of our society against the other, in an organized effort to create civil turmoil leading to riots, destruction and lawlessness. We ask all individuals to join with us and, through education and understanding, help expose these forces that are turning American

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The Ku Klux Klan Exposed — — — — —

What Do YOU Know About The Secret, Subversive K.K.K.?

1. Has the Ku Klux Klan been revived to stir up hatred and violence in order to pit white American against black American?
2. What is behind the K.K.K. execution of the three Civil Rights Workers in Meridian, Mississippi?
3. What do the Communists have to gain by having Sam Bowers as Imperial Wizard of the White Knights of the Klan?
4. How does the K.K.K. benefit by falsely presenting a Christian and Anti-Communist facade?
5. What is the significance of the burning cross?
6. How do the terrorist tactics of the Ku Klux Klan and the Civil Rights movement mutually benefit each other?

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*Rev. Dennis will discuss this lengthy oath which requires

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 4/11/74

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FROM : SAC, JACKSON

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SUBJECT: DELMAR DENNIS
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Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of
a manuscript entitled "KLANDESTINE; THE UNTOLD STORY
OF DELMAR DENNIS' ROLE IN THE FBI'S WAR AGAINST THE
KU KLUX KLAN IN MISSISSIPPI BY BILL MC ILHANY."

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DELMAR DENNIS is a former informant in the
Jackson Division. He was exposed when he testified in
Federal Court in October, 1967, during the MIBURN
(JN 44-1; Bufile 44-25706). Details concerning information
furnished by this source have previously been furnished
the Bureau.

During December, 1973, SA [redacted]
who handled this source, received a note which indicated
that DENNIS was still entertaining the idea of publishing
a book which he planned to entitle "KLANDESTINE." DENNIS
mentioned in this note that he hoped that the book would
be published in the following spring.

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After repeated efforts to contact DENNIS, who is
a District Representative for the John Birch Society,
covering the States of Mississippi and Florida, and who
is in constant travel status, DENNIS was contacted on
1/17/74, at which time he stated that he had given up
all hopes of writing a book concerning his role in the
FBI's war against the Ku Klux Klan in Mississippi. DENNIS
stated that he had recently heard from BILL MC ILHANY,
[redacted] an amateur author whom
he had met through the John Birch Society and to whom he
had furnished most of his information on which he had
planned to write his book. DENNIS stated that MC ILHANY told
him he was furnishing him a copy of a manuscript of a book
which would be entitled, "KLANDESTINE, THE UNTOLD STORY OF
DELMAR DENNIS' ROLE IN THE FBI'S WAR AGAINST THE KU KLUX
KLAN IN MISSISSIPPI", and that upon receiving this manuscript,
he would make it available to the FBI.

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Subsequently, DENNIS advised that he was in receipt of the above-mentioned manuscript and that he would make same available after he had read it. He stated that his wife had also indicated an interest in reading the manuscript and that he would forward it to the FBI as soon as possible.

DENNIS made available a copy of the above-mentioned manuscript and stated that he had no objections to a copy being made of this manuscript; however, he would like his copy returned to him as soon as possible. DENNIS stated that he had read the manuscript and feels that it would be most difficult for MC ILHANY to obtain a publisher. DENNIS stated that MC ILHANY had hoped that the publishers for the John Birch Society would publish this book; however, he has been advised that they refused to do so. DENNIS added that the book entitled "ATTACK ON TERROR", by DON WHITEHEAD, covered this subject so well that there would be no market for a book of this nature. DENNIS concluded by stating he doubts if this book will ever be published and that he would not share in any of the royalties from the book.

A review of this manuscript has been conducted by Jackson Office and it should be pointed out that any notations were made by persons other than the FBI reviewing same. As noted by DENNIS, this manuscript is amateurish in nature and deals only with a segment of the events that took place during this period of time as it concerned the Klan and DENNIS.

In view of the nature of the manuscript, the fact that DENNIS has advised that the John Birch Society publisher has refused to publish the book and since DENNIS feels that the manuscript is amateurish in nature and limited in scope, the Jackson Division is not recommending that MC ILHANY be contacted, and it is felt that this manuscript will probably never be published. In view of this, no further investigation is being conducted and DENNIS' copy of the manuscript has been returned to him.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 2/19/75

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FROM: SAC, JACKSON

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SUBJECT: DELMAR DENNIS
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Re Jackson letter to Bureau, dated 4/11/74.

DELMAR DENNIS is a former informant in the Jackson Division. He was exposed when he testified in Federal Court in October, 1967, during the MIBURN investigation (Jackson file 44-1, Bureau file 44-25706). Details concerning information furnished by this source have previously been furnished the Bureau.

Referenced letter enclosed a manuscript entitled "KLANDESTINE; THE UNTOLD STORY OF DELMAR DENNIS' ROLE IN THE FBI'S WAR AGAINST THE KU KLUX KLAN IN MISSISSIPPI BY BILL MC ILHANY" which DENNIS had hoped would be published by the John Birch Society. At that time, DENNIS felt that the manuscript was amateurish in nature and probably would not be published.

On 2/10/75, DENNIS appeared at the Meridian Resident Agency at which time he advised that author BILL MC ILHANY had notified him that his book entitled "KLANDESTINE" is scheduled to be published by Arlington House Publishers and will sell for \$9.95 per copy. This book is to be made available during April, 1975. DENNIS stated that he is sure there have been numerous changes made in the manuscript since he last reviewed same and that he will not profit in any way from its publication.

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DENNIS advised that he has disassociated himself from the John Birch Society and is now employed as public relations officer for the "American Party", National political party.

The above is being furnished the Bureau for information.

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Date 6/22/90

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
 ATTN: 1) CRIMINAL INFORMANT PROGRAM-
 WITNESS SECURITY UNIT, ROOM 3157,
 SSA [REDACTED]
 2) INFORMATION & PRIVACY ACTS LITIGATION UNIT
 3) CIVIL RIGHTS UNIT

FROM : JACKSON (197-JN-17909) (P)

SUBJECT: STATE OF MISSISSIPPI V.
 BYRON DE LA BECKWITH
 NO. 17,824

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REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

FBIHQ is requested to review enclosed requests and advise Jackson.

Enclosed are two copies each of the following:

- 1) Assistant District Attorney BOBBY B. DeLAUGHTER letter dated 5/29/90 to Jackson FBI Office
- 2) Authorization to release information and documents signed by DELMAR DENNIS

The enclosed letter and release are self-explanatory.

The information requested concerning DENNIS should be located in his Jackson file. (Bufile [REDACTED]). A review

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of this file has revealed DENNIS testified in the Government case involving the conspiracy to murder three civil rights workers captioned "MIBURN" (Jackson file 44-1, Bufile 44-25706) and sacrificed a great deal as a result of his exposure as a paid informant of the FBI in the Mississippi Ku Klux Klan.

The Jackson case concerning EVERS' murder was originally opened under file number 44-37 and subsequently changed to 157-44, Bufile 157-901.

On 6/19/90, Investigator [REDACTED], Hinds County District Attorney's Office, Jackson, advised if necessary DENNIS can be contacted in Severeville, Tennessee, where he has a business, name unknown, and can be contacted through telephone number (615) 453-3947.

Jackson is of the opinion the requested information from DENNIS' file as authorized by him should be released.

Further, as related to paragraph one of DeLAUGHTER's letter, Jackson is of the opinion the Jackson Office should cooperate completely with the investigative efforts of the District Attorney's Office with the exception of releasing privileged information, e.g., 6(e) matters or unauthorized informant data. This dissemination appears to be within the (b)3, routine use, exception of the Privacy Act.

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The request not to release information in FBI files concerning the EVERS murder has previously been coordinated with [REDACTED] Extension 5532, FBIHQ.

ED PETERS
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

State of Mississippi



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Office of the District Attorney

SEVENTH CIRCUIT COURT DISTRICT
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI 39225-2747

May 29, 1990

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Jackson, MS

Re: Reinvestigation of murder of Medgar
Evers, June 12, 1963

To Whom It May Concern:

As you have previously been advised, our office is currently reinvestigating the above-referenced murder case to see if there is sufficient evidence for reprosecution. I have previously requested information concerning certain physical evidence, and have received a response relating to that inquiry. I now need, and respectfully request copies of, or at least access to, any and all files, reports, memoranda, and any other documents in the custody or control of the FBI relating to the killing of Medgar Evers on June 12, 1963, or subsequent arrest of Byron de la Beckwith on June 23, 1963.

We have also spoken at length with Mr. Delmar Dennis, who worked as a paid-informant for the FBI concerning activities of the Ku Klux Klan in Mississippi from September of 1964 until 1967 when he testified for the Government in the case regarding the slaying of three civil rights workers in Neshoba County. Mr. Dennis has told us that Byron de la Beckwith spoke at a Klan meeting held near the swinging bridge at Byram, Mississippi, subsequent to his two murder trials, and bragged about killing Medgar Evers and encouraged the Klan members present at the meeting to do likewise. Mr. Dennis informs us that he met with FBI agents immediately after this meeting and reported this information to the agents, as well as the names of other persons in attendance at the meeting. We understand that he mainly dealt with Agents [redacted] and [redacted].

[redacted] It is extremely crucial in our investigation to ascertain what evidence exists that would either verify or contradict this information. Mr. Dennis has stated that the

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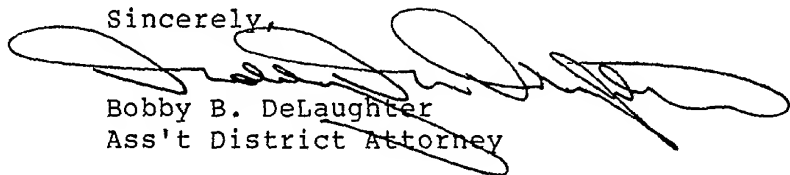
last time he saw Beckwith was when Beckwith came to his home while running for Lt. Governor in 1967. This means that the Klan meeting where Beckwith spoke occurred sometime between September 1, 1964, when Dennis started work as an FBI informant and November of 1967 when the general election was held. Specifically, I am requesting copies of any and all reports, statements, memoranda or notes contained in the FBI's informant file for Delmar Dennis that relate to the aforesaid Klan meeting where Beckwith was in attendance, what was said by Beckwith at that meeting and the names of all other persons present at the meeting, so that we can make an accurate assessment of Mr. Dennis' credibility regarding this information and to enable us to try to locate other persons present to either verify or contradict Mr. Dennis' account. Enclosed herewith is Mr. Dennis' written authorization for this information to be released to this office.

Lastly, this is to advise that our office objects to the release by the FBI of any information that it has on file regarding the murder of Medgar Evers, arrest of Byron de la Beckwith, and assistance of Delmar Dennis. Our investigation is an active criminal investigation geared toward successful prosecution for murder in state court. Premature release to the media or general public (which would include Beckwith, himself) of any of this information could seriously jeopardize our success in this endeavor. At a minimum, we respectfully request that no such information be released until we have had the opportunity to review the information ourselves and thus make any further objections which would then be more informed and specific.

If you have any questions concerning these requests or need anything further from us in this regard, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Thanking you once again for your cooperation and assistance, I remain,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bobby B. DeLaughter", written over a horizontal line.

Bobby B. DeLaughter
Ass't District Attorney

SWORN AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE
INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTS

TO: FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

This is to authorize and direct the Federal Bureau of Investigation to release to the Office of the District Attorney for the Seventh Circuit Court District (Hinds and Yazoo Counties), State of Mississippi, any and all information, as well as photocopies of any and all reports, memoranda or other documents contained in my FBI paid-informant file that in any manner relates to a meeting of the Ku Klux Klan held between September 1, 1964 and November 15, 1967, along the Pearl River, near the swinging bridge at Byram, Mississippi, where I reported, among the persons present, Byron de la Beckwith who fully admitted, to the assemblage, his guilt in the killing of Medgar Evers.

This the 24 day of May, 1990.

STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF SEVIER

Delmar Dennis

PERSONALLY CAME AND APPEARED BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority in and for the jurisdiction aforesaid, the above and within-named DELMAR DENNIS, who being by me first duly sworn states on his oath that he signed and delivered the above and foregoing authorization and release on his own voluntary act and deed on the date therein stated.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, this the 24 day of
May, 1990.

Lendell A. Hatcher
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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Date: 5/16/75

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Via AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-2934)

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5/5/75. Re Bureau airtel to Newark and Philadelphia,

For the information of the Newark and Philadelphia Offices, DELMAR DENNIS is a former informant in the Jackson Division. He was exposed when he testified in Federal Court in October, 1967, during the MIBURN investigation (JN File 44-1; Bufile 44-25706).

On 2/10/75, DENNIS appeared at the Meridian Resident Agency and advised that he had disassociated himself from the John Birch Society and at that time was employed as public relations officer for the "American Party," national political party. During March, 1975, DENNIS participated in a speaking tour in Pennsylvania, where he received a number of threats and sources reported possible interruptions and harassment at places where DENNIS was speaking.

On 5/12/75, DENNIS was located at his residence in Walnut Grove, Miss., at which time he advised that he is no longer associated with the "American Party," and that he is unemployed as the John Birch Society feels that due to the "pressure" put on him during his speaking tour, might have a bearing on his effectiveness as an employee of the John Birch Society at present. He stated that he probably

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will be able to do some recruiting for the John Birch Society at a later date.

DENNIS volunteered that a book entitled, Klandestine, written by BILL MC ILHANY and published by Arlington House Publishers, has been published and sells for \$9.95 per copy. He stated that he has received a number of copies for which he had taken orders and that he is delivering same. DENNIS stated that for the most part, MC ILHANY followed the previous manuscript that he had sent to DENNIS (copy furnished Bureau); however, MC ILHANY had slanted it toward the "John Birch line."

DENNIS stated that he does not anticipate any further speaking tours and does not believe that he will be invited by either of the above organizations to speak at any of their meetings. DENNIS added that there have been several articles concerning his activities in the publication, Thunderbolt, and that it was due to this publicity that the John Birch Society and the American Party did not want to employ him at the present time.

LEADS:

NEWARK and PHILADELPHIA DIVISION

Copies of this communication are being furnished the Newark and Philadelphia Divisions for their information in view of their investigative interest.

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TO FBI JACKSON (197-JN-17909) (P)/PRIORITY/

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CITE: //0682//

SUBJECT: STATE OF MISSISSIPPI VERSUS BYRON DE LA BECKWITH.

REFERENCE JACKSON AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR, FBI, DATED
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INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION (CID), ON JUNE 28, 1990.

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REFERENCED AIRTEL ENCLOSED LETTER FROM BOBBY B.
DELAUGHTER, ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, OFFICE OF THE
DISTRICT ATTORNEY (DA), SEVENTH CIRCUIT COURT DISTRICT,
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, DATED MAY 29, 1990, REQUESTING THAT THE
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FILES, REPORTS, MEMORANDA, AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS IN THE CUSTODY OR CONTROL OF THE FBI RELATING TO THE KILLING OF MEDGAR EVERS ON JUNE 12, 1963, OR SUBSEQUENT ARREST OF BYRON DE LA BECKWITH ON JUNE 23, 1963."

ON JUNE 28, 1990, SSA [REDACTED] CID, CONTACTED [REDACTED] UNIT CHIEF, [REDACTED] CID; SSA [REDACTED] [REDACTED] CIVIL RIGHTS UNIT, CID; AND SSA [REDACTED] DOMESTIC TERRORISM UNIT, CID, IN CONNECTION WITH THE AFOREMENTIONED REQUEST. THE AFOREMENTIONED INDIVIDUALS WERE OF THE OPINION THAT IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE FBI TO RELEASE ALL INFORMATION AND/OR MATERIAL RELEVANT TO THE DA'S REQUEST, AS LONG AS THE MATERIAL IS NOT OTHERWISE DEEMED PRIVILEGED.

IN ADDITION, SSA [REDACTED] CONTACTED LINDA K. DAVIS, CHIEF, CRIMINAL SECTION, CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, AND ADVISED HER OF THE FBI'S INTENTIONS TO PROVIDE THE DA'S OFFICE WITH ALL FBI MATERIAL RELEVANT TO THE DA'S INVESTIGATION. WHILE DAVIS WAS OF THE OPINION THAT THE FBI SHOULD OPEN ITS FILES TO THE DA FOR COMPLETE REVIEW, SHE DID NOT OBJECT TO MAKING A LIMITED DISCLOSURE OF THE FILES, AS LONG AS THE

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RELEASE INCLUDED ALL MATERIAL RELEVANT TO THE DA'S INVESTIGATION.

ACCORDINGLY, JACKSON IS AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE THE DA'S OFFICE WITH ALL MATERIAL WHICH IS RELEVANT TO THEIR INVESTIGATION INTO THE DEATH OF EVERS. ADDITIONALLY, JACKSON IS AUTHORIZED TO DISCLOSE INFORMATION FROM THE INFORMANT FILE OF DELMAR DENNIS WHICH IS RELEVANT TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S INVESTIGATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO THE RELEASE OF ANY INFORMATION FROM DENNIS' INFORMANT FILE, JACKSON WILL ENSURE THAT HE HAS EXECUTED AN FD-746 AUTHORIZING THE FBI TO MAKE SUCH A RELEASE. FURTHER, PRIOR TO THE RELEASE OF ANY INFORMATION FROM JACKSON FILES, JACKSON MUST ENSURE THAT THE RELEASE HAS BEEN COORDINATED WITH CIVIL LITIGATION UNIT II {CLU II}, LEGAL COUNSEL DIVISION {LCD}, AS OUTLINED HEREIN.

JACKSON MAY NOT RELEASE THE IDENTITY OF ANY OTHER INFORMANT OR ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM ANY OTHER INFORMANT WITHOUT PRIOR FBIHQ APPROVAL. SHOULD JACKSON DISCOVER ADDITIONAL INFORMANT INFORMATION WHICH MAY BE RELEVANT TO THE DA'S INVESTIGATION, JACKSON SHOULD ATTEMPT TO LOCATE THE INDIVIDUAL AND DETERMINE WHETHER HE/SHE IS WILLING TO TESTIFY

AND/OR PROVIDE INFORMATION TO THE DA'S OFFICE CONCERNING THE DEATH OF EVERS. IF APPROPRIATE, JACKSON SHOULD ENSURE THAT SUCH INDIVIDUALS EXECUTE AN FD-746 FOR THE INDIVIDUAL. THEREAFTER, JACKSON SHOULD REQUEST THAT FBIHQ GRANT AUTHORITY TO DISCLOSE THE INFORMANT INFORMATION TO THE DA'S OFFICE.

NO INFORMATION AND/OR MATERIAL FROM THE JACKSON FILES WILL BE RELEASED TO THE DA'S OFFICE WITHOUT FIRST COORDINATING THE RELEASE WITH CLU II, LEGAL COUNSEL DIVISION. JACKSON MAY TAKE IMMEDIATE STEPS TO SECURE LEGAL COUNSEL'S ASSISTANCE IN PROCESSING THESE DOCUMENTS FOR RELEASE TO THE DA. JACKSON SHOULD CONTACT SSA [REDACTED] CLU II, FOR ASSISTANCE IN FORWARDING THE AFOREMENTIONED DOCUMENTS TO FBIHQ FOR PROCESSING.

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NOTE: THE REQUEST OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY {DA} IS BASED ON THE DISCOVERY OF NEW EVIDENCE CONCERNING THE DEATH OF MEDGAR EVERS. SPECIFICALLY, DELMAR DENNIS, A FORMER FBI INFORMANT, ADVISED THE DA'S OFFICE THAT HE HEARD BYRON DE LA BECKWITH BRAG ABOUT KILLING EVERS AT A MEETING OF THE KU KLUX KLAN {KKK} NEAR THE SWINGING BRIDGE AT BYRAM, MISSISSIPPI. THE SPEECH BY DE LA BECKWITH ALLEGEDLY TOOK PLACE FOLLOWING DE LA BECKWITH'S MURDER TRIALS FOR THE DEATH OF EVERS {BOTH TRIALS ENDED IN MISTRIALS}. DENNIS ADVISED THE DA'S OFFICE THAT IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE SPEECH, HE REPORTED THE INFORMATION CONCERNING EVERS DEATH TO FBI SPECIAL AGENTS [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

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DENNIS WAS OPERATED AS AN FBI INFORMANT FROM NOVEMBER 9, 1964, UNTIL MARCH 6, 1968. DURING THE PERIOD OF OPERATION, DENNIS PROVIDED EXTREMELY VALUABLE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE WHITE KNIGHTS OF THE KKK OF MISSISSIPPI. AS AN EXAMPLE, DENNIS TESTIFIED FOR THE GOVERNMENT IN THE TRIAL OF THE SUBJECTS ACCUSED FOR THE SLAYING OF THE THREE CIVIL RIGHTS WORKERS IN NESHABA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN 1967.

DENNIS' IDENTITY AS AN FBI INFORMANT HAS BEEN DISCLOSED IN CRIMINAL TRIAL. ADDITIONALLY, DENNIS HIMSELF HAS WRITTEN NUMEROUS ARTICLES AND MADE COUNTLESS PUBLIC APPEARANCES IN WHICH HE FULLY DISCUSSED HIS ROLE AS AN FBI INFORMANT WITHIN THE KKK.

IF THE DA'S OFFICE IS IN FACT ABLE TO CONFIRM DENNIS' STATEMENT TO THE FBI, THE DA IS OF THE OPINION THAT SUCH INFORMATION COULD BE SUFFICIENT TO JUSTIFY RETRYING DE LA BECKWITH FOR THE MURDER OF EVERS.

ADDITIONALLY, WHILE REVIEWING DENNIS' INFORMANT FILE, JACKSON DISCOVERED INFORMATION FROM A SECOND SOURCE WHICH VERIFIES THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY DENNIS CONCERNING THE DEATH OF EVERS. JACKSON IS ATTEMPTING TO IDENTIFY THE SECOND SOURCE AND DETERMINE WHETHER HE/SHE IS WILLING TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY CONCERNING EVERS' DEATH. ANY INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THIS SOURCE WILL BE HANDLED IN THE MANNER OUTLINED HEREINABOVE.